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Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with,	Tons.
Saturday, 2 P.M.				
1906				
20th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
27th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
3rd Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
10th „	ORIENTAL	6284	INDIA	7911
17th „	CHINA	7912		
24th „	PENINSULAR	5294	BRITANNIA	6525
3rd Mar.	ARABIA	7103		
10th „	ORIENTAL	6284	MOLDAVIA	10009
17th „	MACEDONIA	10512		
24th „	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	10000
31st „	PERSIA	7951		
7th Apl.	ORIENTAL	6284	MOOLTAN	10000
14th „	EGYPT	7912		
21st „	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
28th „	CALEDONIA	7558		
5th May	ORIENTAL	6284	VICTORIA	6522
12th „	ARABIA	7903		
19th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
26th „	MACEDONIA	10512		

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DWARKA	1700	Thur.	18 Jan.	10 a.m.	Cutch Mandvie
LHASA	2170	Frid.	19 Jan.	3 a.m.	(direct.)

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IMPERATOR	F. Mosca	4,119	1st Apr. „
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†‡ NIPPON	L. Solch	6,316	30th Jan. 1906.
†‡ CHINA	A. Lova	6,009	1st March „
FRANZ FERDINAND	G. Matcovich	6046	20th March „
†‡ AUSTRIA	R. Colledani	7500	9th April „
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				1905	1906	1906	1906
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BOMBAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce have APPOINTED MONDAY and TUESDAY, 22nd and 23rd January, 1906, for the purpose of BALLOTING for the ELECTION of a DEPUTY CHAIRMAN of the Chamber, for the year 1906.

The BALLOT BOX will be open at the Offices of the Chamber, from 10 a. m., till 4 p. m., on each of the above days.

By Order of the Committee,
J. B. LESLIE-ROGERS,
Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce, 15th January, 1906.

NOTICE.

LOCAL FIRMS dealing in Cast Iron and Stone-ware pipes and Fittings, Hardware, Metals, Shipchandlers and other Miscellaneous Stores used by the different Departments of the Bombay Municipality are invited to periodically submit particulars of Stock and Prices to Undersigned.

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BANK OF BOMBAY.

ALTERATION OF BANKING HOURS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after MONDAY, the 2nd April, 1906, the Bank will be OPEN for the transaction of BUSINESS on the usual business days at the following hours:—
WEEKDAYS (except Saturdays) from 11 A. M. until 4-30 P. M., Standard Time.
SATURDAYS from 11 a. m., until 2 p. m., Standard Time.

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

22nd December, 1905.

UNCOVENANTED SERVICE FAMILY PENSION FUND.

NOTICE.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Subscribers to the above Fund will be held in the Town Hall, on SATURDAY, the 27th January, 1906, at 3 P.M., to receive the report of the Directors, to lay before the Meeting the Books of the Fund together with an Abstract Statement of the accounts and a List of subscribers and incumbents in accordance with the Fund Rule 38, and to fill by election under Rule 5 the three vacancies caused by the retirement by rotation of three Directors, also to elect Auditors for the ensuing year, as required by Rule 8.

The following List of Subscribers who, if elected, are willing to serve on the Board:—

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Bombay 16th January, 1906.

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NOTICE.

A GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Club on Wednesday the 24th January, 1906, at 6-30 p. m. (Standard Time) to consider the recommendation of the Committee with reference to the Club Loans and to the extension of the Club premises.

WALTER LANG,
Honorary Secretary.

Bombay, 15 January, 1906.

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AUCTION SALE of Railway Plant, Stores, &c., &c., at the B, B, and C. I, Railway Company's Stores Depot, Parel.

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AUCTION SALE of UNCLAIMED GOODS: GRAIN SWEEPINGS, F. P. BALES OF COTTON, etc., etc., at the G. I. P. Railway Ware Bunder, Goods Depot.

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MENESSE & Co.,

Bombay, 17th January, 1906.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT DJUNJI STREET GRANT ROAD.

Under instructions from Mr. Haji Ahmed Hassan, the mortgagee, and on account of the heirs of Cursondas Karamsi, the mortgagors the Undersigned will sell by public Auction on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 p. m. on the premises the immoveable property hereinafter described. The property will be put up for sale in pursuance of the power of sale reserved to the mortgagee and of the Indenture of mortgage dated the 17th February, 1905, and made between the said Cursondas Karamsi of the one part, and the said Haji Ahmed Haji Hassum of the other part.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land together with the messuages, tenements or buildings thereon, situate on the western side of Djunji Street, Grant Road, Bombay, in the registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 415 square yards or thereabouts and bearing with other land Collector's Old Nos 7, 327, 413, 395, 417, 517, New Nos. 2-7351, New Survey Nos. 2-7351 and 2-7351, and bounded on the east by the said Djunji Street, on the west by the property of Nusserwanji Dorabji Bhaila, on the north by the property of the said Cursondas Karamsi and on the south by the private passage 15 feet wide of the said Cursondas Karamsi, and beyond that by the property of Janardan Gopal.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs Payne and Co. 15 Esplanade Road, Bombay, or to the Undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 17th January, 1906.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
NO. 7, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF AN UNFINISHED HOUSE AT GIRGAUM BACK ROAD, opposite the Police Station Bungalow.

Under instructions from N. C. Macleod, Esq., Official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of Gordhandas Rathakissen, who carried on Rathakissen Dwarkadas, as insolvent Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises THIS DAY WEDNESDAY the 17th day of January, 1906 at 4 p.m., the undermentioned unfinished property:—

All that piece or parcel of Pansion and Tar land or ground containing by admeasurement 4370 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 771, 812 and 852 New Nos. 3123 and 1659, Old Survey Nos. 510 511, and New Survey Nos. 1-7341 and 1-7341, with the messuage, tenement or building erected thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D ward N. 193 and Street No. 11, Girgaum Back Road, all which premises are situate and on the south side of Girgaum Back Road at Girgaum, in the Sub-District of Bombay, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the east by the property of Motilal and beyond it by the property of Bai Manock, bai, widow of Laljee Narotumdas on or towards the west by the property of Ramdas Chimanjee Apte, on or towards the south by the property of Amrichand Mudhowjee, and on or towards the north by the Girgaum Back Road.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the Undersigned.

BONA FIDE SALE.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 18th Inst. at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood dining-room, drawing-room, bedroom and office room furniture made to order consisting of set chesterfield, sofas and chairs, drawing room suit of sofas and chairs, lined silk tapestry, chippendale pattern cabinets, elegant chiffoniers, jardinieres, set of dining table, mirror back sideboard, dumbwaiters, Baldwin bedsteads, single and double English and wooden bedsteads, brass double bedstead, single and double mirror, door almirah, clothes and hanging presses, chest of drawers, bedroom sofas, Lady's and gentleman's dressing table, old China large egg jars, valuable books of International Encyclopedia and Lamb's Library, fancy curtains, flower ground large Indian carpet with border, bronze figure, wire proof lamps, hall lamp, table glass ware, crockery ware and the property of H. G. GELL, Esq. Commissioner of Police.

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SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT BOHRA MASJID STREET, WITHIN THE FORT OF BOMBAY.

Under instructions from the executors of the will of the late Mr. Cowerjee Dhanjibhoy Mistry, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at 4 p.m., on the premises, the following landed property:—

All that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 183 square yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 773, New Nos. 3000 and 6000, together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under A A Ward, N. 2158, Street Nos. 21, 23, all which premises are situate and on the north side of Bohra Masjid Street, within the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the east by the property of Hamabai, daughter of Jamasjee Sorabji Lalji, on or towards the west by the property of Cursetjee Hormasji Battiwala, on or towards the north by the property of Jamasjee Dossabhai Pardiwala, and on or toward the south by the Bohra Masjid Street.

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SALE OF STANDING TREES ON THREE PLOTS BETWEEN MATUNGA AND SION STATIONS.

Under instructions from the Resident Engineer, Harbour Branch, G. I. P. Railway Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY the 25th Instant at 11 a.m., all the standing trees on undermentioned plots.—
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THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, JAN. 16.

Rain has fallen on the Coromandel Coast, the chief falls being Madras one inch and Cuddalore and Negapatam half an inch. Light rain is also reported from Toungoo and Trichinopoly. Rain-fall, amounting to two inches, is recorded in Bushire. The temperature has again risen in Upper India, where it is now about normal; but it remains low in Central and North-East India. Disturbed conditions have appeared in Persia, but are not likely to give rain in India during the next twenty-four hours. Scattered rain is likely in the South-Eastern part of the Peninsula and dry weather elsewhere.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON TUESDAY, THE 16TH JAN.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has fallen generally everywhere the fall having been brisk at Negapatam, Bangalore, Karwar, Mormugao, Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Sholapur, Poona, Surat, Saugor, Karachi, Simla, Cawnpore, Jhansi and Agra.

Winds are north-easterly at Masulipatam and Madras and north-westerly at Negapatam, while calms and variable breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been fresh to strong in Cutch and at Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Madras and Colombo.

Temperature.—The night temperature is from 5° to 7° hotter than usual at most stations in the Madras Presidency and from 5° to 14° cooler than usual at several other stations. The highest temperature in the shade was 90° at Mangalore and the lowest 35° at Jubbulpore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast in Ceylon over the greater port of the Madras Presidency and at Sholapur, Raipur and Bushire.

Rain.—Madras had over an inch, Negapatam about half an inch and Trichinopoly light showers. Bushire reports about two inches.

Weather.—Winds are north-easterly and north-westerly on the Coromandel Coast and barometer is about a tenth and a tenth half below normal at Madras; and Negapatam. Negapatam reports sea very high and weather is cloudy over the greater part of the Madras Presidency and Ceylon. Weather along the West Coast depends on the further development of weather conditions on the south Coromandel Coast.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, Jan. 15.

SECURITIES—
3 1/2 per cent. Consols ..... 89 15-16 = unchanged
3 do. Remies ..... 99 = do
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan ..... 105 3-4 = + 1-4
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rewee Paper ..... 66 1-16 = + 1-16

SILVER—
Spot in London ..... 33 1-4 = unchanged
2 months hence ..... 22 1-2 = do
Spot in New York ..... 65 5-8 = do

EXCHANGES—
Paris cheques ..... 25 12 1-2 = — 1-2
Berlin ..... 20'45 = + 1 1 4
New York Demand ..... 4856 5-8 = + 1-2

DISCOUNTS—
Bank of England ..... 4 per cent =
3 months sight Bank Bills ... 3 3-4 do = + 1-8
6 " " 3 3-8 do = unchanged
3 " " Fine Trade Bills ..... 4 1-8 do = + 1-8
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills ..... 4 1-8 do = unchanged

NDEREST—
Day to day loans ..... 3 1-4 do = + 5-8
7 day market loans ..... 3 1 8 do = + 1-4

UGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 10 3 Jan. 4 done steady.

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5 4 1-4

WHEAT—
Afloat for U K 1,780,000

RAPESEED—
Yellow Guzerat 48 1-4 + 1-4 A-M sellers
Yellow Cawnpore 47 1-4 + 1-4 A-M sellers
Brown 43 3 4 + 1 4 A-M done

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 43 3-4 J-F done

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 3-8 + 1-8

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian quiet. Manchester steady. Total Sales 8,000. Spot 6·20 plus 12. Egyptian F. G. Brown[8-14. plus 1-16 Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 6,000. Futures closed quiet.

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.
6 06 +11	6·06 +11	6 11 +11
Apl.-May	**May-June**	**June-July**
6·14 +11	6·17 +12	6·18 +11
July-Aug.	**Aug.-Sep.**	**Sep.-Oct.**
6·19 +11	6·11 +11	5·87 +11

Receipts at U S Ports 19,000
Do last year 21,000
Exports to Great Britain 7,000
Do. do Continent 19,000

N NEW YORK—
Spot ..... 12·05 + 10
Futures, month of March ..... 11·63 + 12
Do. do. July ..... 11·77 + 12
} a Advance owing to firm cables and to port receipts running below expectation,

IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot ..... 11·5-3 + 1-16
Futures, month of March ..... 11·32 + 10
Do. do. May ..... 11·92 + 11
Tone at close ..... steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 48 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Monday 15th Jan. 1906 :—

Cotton	22,723 bales.
Wheat	18,336 cwts.
Linseed	4,832 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	1,135 do
Gingellyseed	14,972 do
Poppyseed	1,318 do
Groundnut	757 do
Castorseed	7,119 do
Rice	4,790 do
Myrabollams	4,611 do
Oilseed	27,323 do
Mowraseed	14 do
Gram	358 do
Joowar	460 do
Maize	74 do

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.
Gold Bullion Rs. 4,54,416
Silver Bullion Rs. 50,848
1-6 Bars Silver
Ex s s Chusan from Australia

BOMBAY, JAN. 16.

EXCHANGE.—Tone quiet.
Bank T. T. ... ... Is. 4 3-32d.
Bank Demand ... ... Is. 4 1-8d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A. Is. 4 11-32d.
Do. 6 do. do. ... Is. 4 15-32d.
French Francs 3 do. do. ... 171
Marcks 3 do. do. ... 139 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight ... 147
Shanghai 30 do. ... 207
Japan 30 do. ... 149 1-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.
Cash ... ... 98·1
1st Settlement, 31st January 98·4
Money Market. Tone firm.

BANK RATE—
Bank of England since 28th Sept. 4 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 4th Jan. 8 do.
Bank of Bengal do. 4th ,, 8 do.
Bank of Madras do. 9th ,, 7 do.

SEEDS.
LINSEED.—Tone easier. Rs. a. p.
Ready 8 6 0
Forward May 8 10 0

RAPESEED.—Tone steady.
Brown Cawnpore, Ready .. 7 6 0
Do. Forward ... 7 9 0

POPPYSEED—Tone steady.
Ready 9 0 0
Forward April-May 9 2 0

CASTORSEED—Tone firm
Ready 35 1-2
Forward April-May 35 1-2

GINGELLYSEED—Tone steady.
Howree Khandeish 48 0 0
15 per cent Mixed 47 1-2

WHEAT—Tone quieter.
New Delhi White 5 6 0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.
Tone ..... firm.
Estimated sales ..... 8,000 Bales
Imports 32,000

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April
6·10 +4	6·12 +4	6·15 +4
April-May	**May-June.**	**June-July**
6·15 +4	6·21 +4	6·22 +4
July.-Aug	**Aug.-Sept.**	**Sep.-Oct**
6·23 +4	5·15 +4	5·91 +10

COTTON.—The market remains firm but the enquiry from exporters is still very limited. A small spot business is passing at Colaba at full rates.

"Sutta" closing quotations are as follows :—
Bengals Fully Good January ..... Rs. 190
Broach M.-G. Good March ..... ,, 255

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

		Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)		198	180	...	25th Jan.
Bengals (M.-G.) Ry. terms...		...206	196	...	25th Jan.
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	...	...208	193	...	25th Jan.
Oomrawutte (descriptions)	M.-G.	222	216	...	25th Jan.
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	...	...218	212	...	25th Jan.
Khamgaum, fair staple (M.-G.)					
Karanja do.	(M.-G.)	223	217	...	25th Jan.
Akola do.	(M.-G.)				
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.)	...	233	227	...	25th Jan.
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)		235	229	...	25th Jan.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	...	240	234	...	25th Jan.
Broach (M.-G.)	... ...	271	...	258	25th Mar.
Muttia (M.-G.)	... ...	219	213	...	25th Feb.
Tepmal (M.-G.)	... ...	239	233	...	25th Jan

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

HAWKINS—January 4, at Dibrugarh the wife of A B Hawkins of Digboi Assam of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

PATTERSON—NORRIS—January 10, at St John's Church Cawnpore, by the Rev G J Chree B D Senior Chaplain John Patterson Esq, B A Deputy Meteorologist to the Government of India to Margaret Norris M D younger daughter of Robert Norris Esq Staffa Canada.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 33m. Sun sets, 5h. 44m. High water 3-34m., 4-21a. Low water, 9-35m., 9-42a.
Bombay Improvement Trust meeting, 2 p.m. S. T.
Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p. m.
Motor Union Reliability Competition.
Musical Recital of "Rustom and Sorab," in aid of the funds of the Adams Wylie Hospital, Town Hall, 9-30 p. m. (S. T.)
Concert in aid of Afghan Memorial Church, at the Gymnasium Upper Colaba, 9-30 p. m. (S. T.)
Novelty Theatre, the Bandmann Opera Company, 9-15 p. m. (S. T.)
Harmston's Circus, Esplanade, 9-30 p. m. (S. T.)

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.—There will be a Matinee today on the Maidan at Harmston's Circus which is giving an admirable entertainment without a dreary moment.

THE J. N. WADIA MAHIM DISPENSARY.—At the J. N. Wadia Mahim Charitable Dispensary, Bombay, during December, the attendance was males 715, females 394, and children 447. Total 1,557. The average attendance was 50·2.

LECTURE.—Under the auspices of the Young Theists' Union, in the Prathna Mandir Girgaon, Mr. K. Natarajan B. A. Editor, "Indian Social Reformer," will give a public address to-day at 6 p. m. (Bombay Time) on the "Place of Theism in Modern India."

MARINE COURT.—A Marine Court consisting of Mr. N. W. Kemp, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Mr. W. Potts, Marine Superintendent, B. I. S. N. Company, and Mr. S. G. D. Andrews, Marine Superintendent P. and O. Company, sat to investigate circumstances attending the loss of Bombay and Persia Steam Navigation Company's s.s. Hasheml in the Bay of Bengal. The steamer left Calcutta for Bombay in the beginning of last September laden with coal and with a crew of 51 men on board, but never reached its destination. The inquiry will be held on Monday at the Esplanade Police Court.

MUSIC AT THE PYRKE'S APOLLO HOTEL.—The Victoria String Band will play the following programme of music at the Pyrke's Apollo Restaurant, commencing at 6-30 till 9-30 p.m. to-day :—

March	Under the Double Eagle ..J F Wagner
Overture	La Bouche D'or ..... E Bosquant
Valse	Blonde ..... Margis
Selection	All the Girls ..... W Williams
March	The Relief ..... W Wanderval
Barn Dance	Florodora ..... Kniffett
Valse	Blue Danube ..... Strauss
Cake Walk	Creole Belle ..... J B Lampe

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel S. J. Sarjant V. D., and Officers of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Vol. Band will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Band Master, commencing at 3-30 p. m. to-day.

March	Whisting Rufus ..... Mills
An Orion al Scena.	A Dervise Chorus ..... Sabik
Selection	The Oxshid ..... Caryll
Serenade	Sladesta ..... Blon
Selection	The Belle of New York.. Kirker
Valse	Passing Clouds ..... E H Prout

FRIGHTENED HORSES.—On Monday evening, the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and Mrs Russel alighted at the door of the Novelty Theatre from their landau, to witness the Bandmann Theatrical Company's performance and as the carriage was being turned round to take its place in the line of carriages, the pair of horses attached to it took fright and ran into a victoria of Mr C. Brown of Frere Road, knocking his horse over and damaging the forepart of his carriage The pole of the Honorable Justice's carriage was broken to pieces, and the horses were slightly injured. Inspectors Bodley and Morris who were hard by came readily to assistance, and successfully prevented any further damage being done to the carriages in line, and pedestrians.

EXTORTIONATE POLICE HAVILDAR.—At the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, Mr. C. H. Setalvad Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which W. N. Naidu, a Police havildar, and Edward D'Cruz a Christian, were charged with extorting Rs. 20 from one Allibhoy Mahomedali, a Borah. Mr. N. N. Sahar, Barrister-at-law, with Mr. Advocate, Pl ader, defended the first accused while Mr. Kerkar and Mr. Pereira appeared on behalf of the second accused. It appeared from the evidence that complainant rented a room in a chawl at Bhoiwada from a Pardeshi some time ago and subsequently sublet it to a Bengali, named Culprasad, and received the rent from him in advance. Shortly after, the chawl in question changed ownership and some one demanded rent again from Culprasad after it had already been paid. Hearing of this, the two accused who lived in the same chawl, then conceived an idea of extorting money from the complainant. On the evening of the 30th ultimo the complainant was passing by the chawl when the first accused caught hold of him and took him into a room where he threatened to charge him with cheating if he was not paid Rs. 100 and assaulted him. He represented the second accused who was employed as a Police Constable. The complainant refused to pay any money as he averred that there was no charge against him, but after demurring for some time and after being further assaulted, he was forced to part with Rs. 20. The Magistrate on evidence convicted both the accused and sentenced the first accused to six months and the second accused to three months rigorous imprisonment respectively.

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THE VICEROY RECEIVES ADDRESSES.

LORD MINTO'S REPLY TO THE MAHOMEDANS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN 16.

Lord Minto received addresses from Central Mahomedan Association and Bengal Land-holder's Association here this afternoon and went back to Barrackpore in evening.

H. E Lord Minto in reply to the address of the Central National Mohammedan Association said: —

"I am very glad to be able to-day to receive the members of the Central National Mohammedan Association. All the more so because it is the oldest Mohammedan Association in Calcutta and I thank you, gentlemen, for the cordial welcome you have extended to Lady Minto and myself on behalf of the community you represent. The objects of your Association are, I understand, to promote by all constitutional means the welfare of the Mussulmans of India. Basing your efforts on loyalty to the British Crown, you hope, whilst cherishing the tradition of the past, to encourage Western culture and progressive development. You hope, too, that a moral revival may assist political regeneration. I am sure that such noble aims will always find sympathy and recognition from amongst all who are interested in the administration of the Indian Empire. But a moral revival that is to affect political life must to a great extent, I would almost say entirely, find its origin in your own homes. It is on the early training of young children that you must depend for the formation of the character which must so largely shape their future course in the battle of life—a battle that is becoming more strenuous every day amidst the rivalry of the nations of the world and where the existence of that individuality of men and women which should lead them to success will always largely emanate from the precepts of their early home life. And it is the woman, the mother, who does so much, to form the character of the home. I cannot but think that on the recognition of her educational requirements by the leaders of thought in India the intellectual and national future of this country largely depends. I recognise the great objects you have in view and I do not hesitate to suggest what appears to me to be the first means by which you may obtain them. You have my sincere good wishes in the work you have undertaken, and I thank you again, gentlemen, for the appreciative words of your address."

LORD MINTO'S REPLY TO THE BENGAL LANDHOLDERS.

H. E. Lord Minto in reply to the address of the landholders of Bengal, said :—

"Gentlemen, I beg to thank you for the cordial words of the address you have presented to me on my assumption of the office of Viceroy of India and for your kind expressions towards Lady Minto and myself. Being a landholder myself in my native land, it is a pleasure to me to meet my fellow landholders of Bengal and I may perhaps be capable of sympathising with them in the many difficulties which seem, throughout the world, to weigh upon the possessors of the soil. I thank you, gentlemen for your allusion to the services of my ancestor whose broad-minded views I have been taught from my boyhood to study and to admire. It is only a few days since I expressed opinions on the political questions you allude to and I cannot feel called upon to repeat them now. You, as influential land-owners, have many opportunities, outside the realms of political strife, of assisting the welfare of the people of Bengal. The permanent settlement to which you refer has no doubt done much for this province, but with the benefits it conferred, it brought also great responsibilities not only for the Government of the day, but for the holders of the land. The present position [illegible] upon which I can attempt to deal with the most [illegible] question of agriculture with which the future prosperity of India is so largely associated and upon which the technical institutions you mention must in coming years exert so great an influence. I can only tell you that in these questions, affecting as they do, the development of the resources of the soil and the consequent happiness of the people, you may always rely upon my assistance and sympathy. I feel sure that the landholders of Bengal are proud of the magnificent demonstration of loyalty and welcome extended by the city of Calcutta to the Prince and Princess of Wales and must rejoice to feel sure that their Royal Highnesses have taken away with them a deep impression of the affectionate manifestation of devotion they have universally met with from the people of India. I am very glad to have had this opportunities of meeting the landholders of Bengal and I sincerely appreciate the kind words of their address."

SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS.

CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The current Session of the Viceroy's Legislative Council here will be a light one. The Civil Procedure Code Amendment Bill is not yet ready for discussion and no other measure of first rate importance is pending. Of Bills that are to be proceeded with, one of the most interesting is the Currency Bill which has now reached the stage of presentation to a Select Committee. This provides, amongst other matters, for the introduction of nickel coins. There has been some delay in this connection in consequence of difficulties which have arisen in making the new coins so that they may not be mistaken for any of the silver coins already in circulation. It was at one time proposed to perforate them to this end, but this had the objection that it would prevent the King's head from appearing upon the coin. Experiments are now being made at the Mint with the manufacture of a polygonal coin with twelve sides—a shape which is sufficiently near to the circular for convenience and use, yet has an individuality that will prevent its being mistaken for anything else. Another measure that is pending is a Bill to amend the Stamp.

Act in some technical matters mostly relating to the removal of minor difficulties that have arisen in connection with insurance policies. The report of the Select Committee upon the Sind Encumberes Estates Bill is another matter that is ready for presentation.

The next meeting takes place on Friday.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT BY A POLICE PATEL.

CONVICTED AND SENTENCED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JAN. 16.

The hearing of the case against Bhima Bhau, a Police Patel, with three others, Narayan Sadhu, Vithno Babajee and Bhau Supana, the first being charged with culpable homicide and the rest with abetment in connection with the death of a villager, named Manaji. The facts of the case are : there was a dispute about trespass on a land supposed to contain a tomb of a 'guru', on which ground the deceased who was one of the faction, wished to build a temple, but met opposition from the four accused who were belonged to another faction. In the course of the scuffle, deceased alleged to have met his death by the first accused, assaulting with the assistance of the three other accused. The deceased eventually succumbed to the injuries in the Sassoon Hospital and the accused were arrested and placed on trial. Mr. Binning of the Bombay Bar defended the accused in the Sessions Court before Mr. Kincaid.

After a four days' trial the case was finished this morning. The first first accused was found guilty by a special jury of causing grievous hurt. No. 2 and No. 3 of abetment and No. 4 of simple hurt. No. 1 was sentenced to eighteen months, No. 2 and 3 to three months' and No. 4 was discharged as he was not originally charged with the offence as per verdict of the jury.

ART, MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

"The" Pontomime.

CINDERELLA AT DRURY LANE.

THE PEOPLE'S "ACADEMY."

LONDON, DEC. 29.

THE jaded gift-seeker is at rest for a year; and it is interesting to smoke the cigarette of reflection after the weary tramp in search of chadming artistic things at a reasonable price, especially to send to the younger folks, and to meditate on traits of the quest. The overwhelming impression left upon the artistic mind is the sorry show made by the English manufacturer. English folk seem to have flung away all hope of creating the artistic thing this Christmas season. It is years since such a poor display has been flaunted in the London shop-windows. And it is to the eternal shame of the manufacturer and the London tradesman. They cannot blame the designers since George III. died. Even in toys we have such a delightful designer as Dyon Clayton Calthrop. But almost the only good things have been German or Japanese. The lucrative calling of the toymaker is almost in a palsied state at home. Why are not good designs given out amongst the cottages here as elsewhere? The unemployed swram amongst us. Surely it is possible to organize the artistic making of toys and the like delights? The German trinket-boxes, those delicious stiff painted figures standing on gay boxes, could be made here just as well as in Germany—and they have been one of the joys of Regent-street. The green glass bangles that rival jade in charm have come to us from Japan. The most artistic rocking-horses are of Dutch design and make. Wait! There has been one exception, at any rate, to the wholesale rot that has set in this season. In a little arcade that joins the Brompton-road to Knightsbridge, in a modest little shop, some ladies have raised the banner of artistry at the sign of the Green Sheaf. Here at least were several beautiful things. Miss Gloag, the clever sculptor, sister of the lady-artist whose painting has been steadily making a mark of late, has designed a little Early Victorian lady in full crinoline and made of a white porcelain ware, which is a thing of beauty—a joy to possess. In this little shop were several little works of art by ladies who have stepped aside from the picture-galleries and designed things that beautify the home.

"By the way, the cry raised at the sight of Whistler's ghost walking uneasily in Vigo-street and striking sacrilegious folk with ghostly cane has not been raised in vain. Those dreadful and disfiguring white margins to the Whistler prints have suddenly become ashamed, and the frames now fit close to the edge of the engravings. This is wholly right and proper. The restless shade of the mighty little James is all gay and smiling again. But, the subconscious self, or astral half, of Hellen is fretting about the town, indignant at the clever forgeries of his resonant and forceful etched masterpieces. This seems more than a passing scandal; and buyers of Hellen's exquisite work had better look to themselves. His trick of handling, like Corot's, is so marked that it lends itself particularly easily to the unscrupulous copyist. Two coming shows that will create interest are the Winter Exhibition at the Royal Academy at the end of the week, and the exhibition of the collected works of Arthur Melville. Melville was one of those men of original genius and great individuality of technique who influenced, if he did not actually create, the school of painters who are doing the most virile and masterly work in England to-day. Melville was their forerunner, as Madox Brown was the forerunner of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood, Mr. Holman Hunt's fads and assertions notwithstanding. One word before the year comes wholly to an end: the people's picture gallery, the hoardings of London town, is sadly neglected of late by the critics. Surely such rich, capable, and enterprising business as the Hippodrome and Olympia, for instance, might appoint some member of their large staffs to control the designs of their establishments. These posters are a positive eyesore. This would be forgivable if we lacked great designers. But whilst we have such masters of the hoster amongst us as Dudley Hardy, John Hassall, the Beggarstaffs, and Joseph Simpson there should be no such poor stuff upon our walls as some of the things that assault our eyes to-day and make our very teeth ache. Two or three of the big poster-printing establishments seem to be blind to good design. The railways, however, are to be praised for the great improvement in this direction. For this relief, at any rate, much thanks.

In these days of rapid transmission of messages and of rapid travelling, it is much easier than it used to be of old for a composer to defy the powers that be. Everybody remembers the story of Mozart when it was suggested that he should leave the Austrian Court, and when he replied: "How can I leave my beloved Emperor?" But now it would seem as though direct defiance can be given even to those who have strength and the will to use that strength. It appears that the Kaiser expressed his displeasure in that Richard Strass should compose a score in conjunction with such a libbretto as "Salome." The Kaiser's attitude was carefully explained to Strauss, who, as one making a repartee, carelessly remarked that he would not be dictated to even by an Emperor. We learn that Salome has scarcely any prospect of performance in Europe, save in the theatre where it has been given at Berlin. The same feeling was prevalent during the time when Wagner produced the Ring, and when it was asserted loudly by the critics of a former generation that there was no earthly possibility of its being a widely extended work, partly on account of the immorality of plot, and partly on account of the difficulty of the music. So history repeats itself; and a public which welcomes with joy the first act of Die Walkure is not likely to be terrified even by the prospect of Salome. Mr. Couried, ever on the alert for new sensations, appears to entertain a desire to give the work at the Metropolitan in New York, but it seems that that desire is hedged round by the condition that Strauss himself shall conduct his work.

If there is any truth in the old adage that from Africa something new is always coming to Europe—or, in St. Augustine's phrase: Ex Africa semper aliquid novi—the same criticism would seem to apply to the north of Italy. Signor Gianetti has within the last week or two produced as a drama Signor Bovio's Christ at the Festival of Purim. It would appear that at first this work was largely disliked, on account of its tendency towards anti-clericalism; one learns now, however, that on the occasion of the recent production, even the hard-and-fast clerical newspapers give it immense praise. Here and there, in London, are many places where special works are performed, new works given, and interesting musical artists gathered together, almost in a private sort of manner. Among these one may mention the Church of St. Mary, Brookfield, where, last Sunday, the choir sang Mr. Ivor Atkins's Hymn of Faith, which was preceded by a Solemn Prelude for the Orchestra and Organ, composed by Mr. Frederic Austin for this particular occasion. The well-known singer, Mr. William Higley, conducted The Hymn of Faith, and played the organ during the work of Mr. Austin, who for this particular composition himself conducted. This Solemn Prelude is an extremely refined work, very musicianly, and for the most part extremely expressive. If only we had more musicians of this nature doing such excellent and significant work in London and elsewhere in the country, the musicial taste of the people would indeed be raised to a higher level.

Mr. Arthur Colins has of late had such hard lines that we are the more pleased to be able to record the fact that last night "Cinderella had a more enthusiastic reception than any Drury Lane pantomime of recent years. The man in the street hugs the idea that the merriest place in London on Boxing Night is Drury Lane Theatre. It has often proved one of the dreariest. The pantomime is a huge undertaking, and has rarely been in proper going order when first launched. Some the artists have yet to take the measure of the house, the funny men have not yet worked up their fun, the chorus has not yet got into unisoned swing the dancers are none too sure of their way through the intricate maze of the dance. Everything is tentative, experimental, provisional. This year things are much better. The dress rehearsal of Saturday for the most part bored. The actors seemed more certain of themselves than was usual at previous dress rehearsals, but there was, nevertheless, everywhere a listlessness, a faintheartedness on the opening night, faced by an immense audience, every member of the cast played to win. The contrast was remarkable. On Saturday no one did more than draw. Last night most of the principals won hands down, and those who did not win have still winning chances. The show, taken as a whole, prospered as none of its prospered on their first nights. Mr. Collins, bereft by death of Mr. Dan Leno and Mr. Herbert Campbell, is to be congratulated on his success, at the second attempt to provide equivalents.

This Cinderella has a strong family resemblance to prior pantomimes that have been given the same name. We could wish it resembled rather the simple story of which those pantomimes have made—the word is seasonable—mincemeat. Poor Cinderella has suffered many things at many hands. George Cruikshank produced a version of the story in which he preached teetotalism, the Fairy Godmother convincing, in type of various size, the Prince's father of the desirability of the wedding feast being conducted on strictly non-alcoholic lines. That was pretty bad, even if it did not altogether justify Dicken's vehement article, Frauds on the Fairies. The stage early recognised the value of the sweetest story in the world, and even to this day there is a professional superstition in favour of Cinderella as the opening piece, a first pantomime, of a new house. But, unlike Cruikshank, the theatre has at times debased "Cinderella" by a too insistent use of the drink 'motif.' Its best apology is that Christmas is a season of excess. At Christmas we eat religiously what at all other times we fight shy of. There is the over-rich plum pudding with its meat of flaming brandy. Only the superstitious who believe that by upsetting their digestions for a week they can ensure happiness for a month, ever think of taking it aboard at any other time of year. When one thinks of it, Drury Lane pantomime is very like that pudding. There is, or has been, about it the same excess, the same prodigality, the same tendency to surfeit. But the pantomime is now served without the brandy. And the pudding is not quite so large. Each innovation is, to our thinking, a distinct improvement, especially in pantomime which claims the title "children's pantomime." The sorry humour of the pothouse is not for the nursery or the schoolroom. Five solid hours of varied entertainment is more than the child-body can bear, or the child-mind can digest. We should be glad to see Mr. Collins reduce the size of his pudding still further. A sound practical comment was made silently on Saturday. Mr. Collins had invited to the dress-rehearsal a large number of school-children. It was a kindly thought, and the glee of the children, who took up every known air and sang the words with a will, must have well repaid Mr. Collins for his pains. But the children only saw the first of the two parts. They saw Cinderella equipped for a ball that they were never to see her reach. Their time was up. Some of them will wonder with longing as to what happens afterwards, and we should be glad to think that they will be given an opportunity of learning this for themselves.

IRRIGATION IN MADRAS.

REPORT OF PROGRESS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JANUARY 16.

The Madras Government have shown the way to the rest of India in their Tank Restoration Scheme of irrigation operations, and with the large additional grant recently sanctioned it is hoped that the execution of the works investigated will proceed more rapidly than has been possible hitherto. The report on this section of the Public Works Department for 1905-05 just issued shows that the total area taken up since the commencement of the Tank Restoration Scheme operations is 63,062 square miles, of which 54,541 square miles have been completed out of a total area of 116,855 square miles to be investigated in the Presidency. The total amount of estimates sanctioned from the commencement of the scheme up to the end of the year 1904-1905 amounted to Rs, 83,09,746, of which Rs. 81,42,539 represented the amount of estimates sanctioned for the works in the Ryotwari tracts. The total expenditure to the end of March 1905 was Rs. 66,83,128. It appears that investigation is ahead of execution to the extent of close upon thirteen lakhs of rupees, so that largely increased grants can be spent directly they are sanctioned.

THE SIMLA FIRE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JAN. 16.

The body of Mr. Pooran Mall's servant was dug out from the debris of the fire, two more bodies being exhumed to-day.

RUBBER IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

NUMEROUS APPLICATIONS FOR LAND.

THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

QUILON, JANUARY 11.

Mr. T. F. Bourdillon, the Conservator of Forests, who had been on circuit to Tenmalai in connection with certain applications for land for rubber planting, returned to head-quarters on the evening on the 4th.

Many European planters and native capitalists have applied to Government and the Forests Department for large areas of land in ever-green forest for rubber cultivation, and they are pending disposal. Mr. Bourdillon has recently addressed a long Report to the Government enunciating the policy by which Government should be guided in disposing of applications for land for rubber planting.

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Of all the comic operas and musical comedies that have been given at the Novelty Theatre during the last fortnight, "Sergeant Brue" has the least plot. Last evening a considerable amount was "cut" and so the little plot there is practically disappeared. But the evening's entertainment did not suffer. If anything it was a gain, for the audience obtained plenty of fun and good songs and at the same time managed to get home at a reasonable hour. The performance was quite the briskest that has been given, and song followed song and dance tripped on the heels of dance with almost bewildering rapidity. Miss Georgie Corlass was extremely dainty as Lady Bicknell and with Mr. Harry Cole as the "Sergeant" made merry times. Practically the whole of the play is given up to these two, but the chorus is continually called upon to help and Mr. Will Smith as Crockie Scrubbs and Mr. Mark Lester as the magistrate both worked hard. Altogether a most enjoyable entertainment of the free and easy type of the modern "Strand" farce.

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AGRICULTURE IN INDIA.

As evidence of the increasing interest taken in the scientific treatment of the land in this country we may quote the issue of the first number of the "Agricultural Journal of India," published with the sanction, though perhaps not with the monetary assistance, of the Government of India. The journal is to be a quarterly publication and the contents are intended to appeal to the general reader interested in agriculture and particularly in Indian agriculture; while matter of a more strictly scientific nature will appear in a second series, entitled "Memoirs of the Department of Agriculture in India." Both these publications, as is explained, will issue from the Agricultural Research Institute at Pusa. The Inspector-General of Agriculture in India will act as Editor and he will be assisted by an Advisory Committee of the Pusa Staff. The Editor, in his introductory notice, observes that the journal and memoirs, while thus forming the official organs of the Department of Agriculture in India, will not be devoted entirely to the work of Agricultural officers. Articles on all matters connected with agriculture, written in a form suited to the general reader, will form a prominent feature and private workers are asked to contribute. Thus it is hoped that the journal will deal with subjects connected with field and garden crops, manures, methods and of cultivation, irrigation, climatic conditions, insect pests, co-operative credit, agricultural cattle, management of farm stock, cattle-breeding, cattle diseases, farm implements and the like. In the "Memoirs" scientific work connected with agriculture in all its phases, including agricultural chemistry, economic botany, entomology, plant pathology and bacteriology will find a place. Separate series will be issued for the chief divisions of Science concerned, each article appearing as a separate memoir under the series into which it falls. In both journal and memoirs illustrations will form a prominent feature, no effort being spared to obtain the best possible results in this direction.

The first number of the journal, which it is hoped will be a permanent record of the practical results of agricultural research work throughout India, contains articles on the Departments of Agriculture in India, manuring, sugarcane, the wilt disease of pigeon pea and pepper, the conditions determining the area sown with cotton in the United Provinces, the Samalkota sugarcane farms, the insect pests of cotton in India, orange cultivation in the Khasi hills, the study of fermentation as applied to agriculture, current and editorial notes and recent literature. The scope of the journal, as will be seen, is sufficiently wide and all-embracing. Mr. F. G. Sly, I.C.S., is the writer of the paper on the Departments of Agriculture and tells us not that leaving aside spasmodic efforts made by the East India Company and the Government of India on isolated occasions for special purposes, such as the cotton experiments of 1840 and the establishment of the tea industry in 1835-55, the policy of creating a special department to investigate the general conditions of agriculture was first recommended by the Commission appointed to inquire into the Bengal and Orissa famine in 1866. This resulted in a scheme for the formation of a new department "to take cognisance of all matters affecting the practical improvement and development of the agricultural resources of the country" which should consist of an official director in each province upon whom would devolve "the real work of studying and improving agriculture," and of a central Imperial Department of the Government of India to guide and control the work of the provincial departments. A new branch of the Imperial Government was thus formed in 1871, but with the exception of the creation in 1875 of a Provincial Department in the North-West Provinces, there was a lack of provincial co-operation with the result that the Imperial Department was abolished in 1876, during a time of great financial distress. Wise men would have seen all the more reason for expanding the operations of the Department. Now fortunately, though late in the day, we have departments, both Imperial and Provincial, but they will take years yet before they can be all that is desired, though the journal now published may hasten the day, especially as it endorses the opinion that expenditure upon scientific agriculture is the most promising investment that Government can make.

It is not practicable here to make a synopsis of the many papers which the new journal contains. That which will perhaps interest most readers is Mr. Maxwell Lefroy's treatise on the insect pests of cotton in India. The author, who is entomologist to the Government of India, tells us that the cotton plant, like all other crop plants, has its pests, insects which lessen the yield and quality of the lint and seed, insects which destroy the plant and very materially affect the gross yield from every acre. Although these pests have been studied in the United States and Egypt and steps taken to check them, nothing has so far been done in India. The annual value of cotton grown in India is stated to be in the neighbourhood of twenty million pounds sterling and the efforts that are now being made to improve the quality of lint, to extend the area in cotton and to increase the field per acre, are based on improvements in the varieties grown, in the methods of cultivation and manuring and in the quality of the seed. Less effort has been directed towards measures based upon checking the pests that now infest cotton throughout India, though it is probable that an improved quality of cotton, as well as a much larger yield will be obtained when more attention is directed to this subject. Affected bolls, he holds, should be burnt periodically and no cotton plant should be allowed to grow for a day after it has yielded its seed and is finished with. More attention and trouble is required and some expenditure, but this would be a trifle compared with that proposed to be spent on experiments, so the entomologist grows eager in his claim, and as we have said the journal of the Agricultural Department aims at keeping the outside public and the leading agriculturists in India in touch with agricultural progress in the country. But to have any practical influence for good, ought not publications of the kind to reach the ryot? Even if the new journal did this, we fear it would not produce very tangible results, for it is printed entirely in English.

THE BRITISH SEAMAN.

An article in the December number of the "United Service Magazine" has the rare merit of exposing the problem of the British seaman to the dry light of unemotional fact. It points out that it is not the British seaman as a genus which is threatened with extinction. In ten years the number of British-born seamen in the Royal Navy has doubled, British yachts are manned by British seamen, and in the coasting and the home trades from the Elbe to Brest British sailors are in a majority, while many are found under foreign flags. On the other hand, the long-voyage trade of the mercantile marine is losing 1,100 British sailors a year. It seems clear that the decline is special, not general. The conditions of service for long voyages explain why. The merchant seaman on engagement receives a month's pay in advance, but not another penny until the voyage out and home is finished, which is often at the end of a year and more. Even then he is quite commonly discharged in some European port, where he has to choose between paying the British Consul, the extravagant fee of 10s. or 20s. for remitting his wages home and running the risk of falling into the crimper's hands. One result of this system is that 23,000 British officers and men desert their ships at intermediate ports every year. The shipmaster has no motive to prevent this desertion. According to law, the residue, after paying expenses, of the wages and effects abandoned by the sailor falls to the Exchequer, but there is nothing to compel a captain to prove desertion before a Consul, and it is the universal practice for him to appropriate both wages and effects himself. It is calculated that these amount in value to some £230,000 per annum, and the evidence of the United States' Commissioner for Navigation, and of many British Consuls demonstrates that the shipmaster is often tempted to harry the sailor into desertion. There are two obvious remedies. The mercantile mariner should not be compelled to wait many months, even years, for the wages he has earned. It would be easy to make compulsory the system in the Royal Navy by which the seaman draws seven-eighths of his pay at the end of the month and the rest at the end of the quarter. And in the second place, it should no longer be profitable for the Captain to encourage desertion. The recent Departmental Committee has suggested a reform in this direction, but it appears hardly stringent enough to be effectual.

THE JAMAICA BANANA TRADE.

The whirligig of "Times" is bringing its changes in the islands of the West Indies as elsewhere. Jamaica has recently enjoyed a period of prosperity owing to the development of the trade in bananas. But the prospect of a great future before Jamaica is not unalloyed. Some disaffection among the banana planters has arisen in consequence of the way in which the agreement for a special steamship service for the banana trade with the Elder Dempster Company is being interpreted. The grievance of the planters is mainly owing to the facts that the Elder Dempster Company, acting, it would appear, well within their rights, but not according to the expectation of the planters, had made common cause with the great American Corporation, the United Fruit Company, for the purchase and shipment of the bananas, they require for the English market, so that the planters, instead of enjoying, a competitive market, as they had hoped to do, find themselves confronted with what they regard as a powerful and irresistible monopoly. There is apparently some show of reason in this complaint, though it hardly seems to take sufficient account of the conditions on which so hazardous a venture as the establishment and regular maintenance of a traffic in bananas across four thousand miles of ocean could alone have been carried on with any prospect of ultimate success. There are people in Jamaica, who insist that the colony has received no adequate equivalent for the annual subsidy of £20,000, which it pays to the Elder Dempster Company. This view is intelligible perhaps in the circumstances, but it does not appear to be quite reasonable. The banana trade has been encouraged and developed, though not exactly on the lines the planters anticipated. Communication with the United Kingdom has been rendered more frequent and very appreciably cheaper. A tourist traffic has been established and has resulted in large indirect benefits to the colony, and to all classes of the inhabitants. It would seem that many people in Jamaica are a little ungrateful on the subject of the Direct Line Service, and still more impatient. The whole thing is in its infancy. It has had its share of infantile ailments and of some troubles, such as the hurricane, which were hardly to be anticipated. It is in the nature of infants sometimes to cry out almost before they are hurt, and even to be a little peevish. It is not in their nature to understand and appreciate the promise of their maturity. This is probably the present attitude of many people in Jamaica. They will grow out of it in time and perhaps be a little ashamed of it.

GERMANY'S STEADY GROWTH.

The recent census in Germany shows that there are forty-one cities of more than 100,000 inhabitants in that Empire. Since the last numbering of the people, five years ago, there has been an increase of eight to the list of towns of that size. In 1871, the year after the Franco-Prussian war, there were only nine towns having a population of 100,000. It is of interest to note that Crefeld, the centre of the silk industry, an industry that is fostered by peace and prosperity, increased by only three and a quarter per cent. in the last five years, while Essen, Krupp's town, very nearly doubled itself. So much for armaments. The Rhine province, where industries flourish, has eight great and growing cities in its circuit. Cologne now possesses nearly 426,000 inhabitants, Berlin has over three millions. Hamburg nearly as many as Bombay. Munich, Dresden and Leipsic over half a million each. The general increase in the population of Germany is not accounted for by the natural excess of births over deaths, there must have been a heavy influx from outside to the Fatherland and considerable concentration from the country districts to the towns.

THE Ballot at the Bombay Chamber of Commerce yesterday for Chairman of the Chamber for the current year resulted in the election of Mr. H. E. E. Proctor of Messrs. Killick Nixon and Company.

THE Public meeting, in connection with the Swadeshi movement at Town Hall, is fixed for next Monday.

MR. F. H. NADIS has been appointed Deputy Locomotive Superintendent of the Rajputana-Malwa Railway.

A RESOLUTION of the Government of India, summing up the situation in regard to plague, is issued this week.

THE Ordnance authorities hope to have all the new quick-firing guns needed by India, delivered by the 31st March.

MR. C. KILBUAN has been elected to represent the Bengal Chamber upon the Port Commission.

THE "Statesman" hears that arrangements are being made for the immediate transfer of Sibpur Civil Engineering College to Ranchi.

MR. EDMUND CANDLER, the Press correspondent, who was wounded in the Tibet expedition, is down at Calcutta with cholera, but we are glad to learn is progressing favourably.

EARL CARNARVON and Lord Westbury, who are due in Colombo shortly, are both of them attracted to the East by rubber prospects, and are coming out, the "Times of Ceylon" understands, with the object of acquiring interests in the industry.

THE Indian Volunteer Officers Decoration has been conferred on Major E. C. Apsolidis, Calcutta Light Horse, and Captain C. A. Hawes, G. I. P. Railway Volunteer Rifles.

THERE is every prospects of another prosperity Budget being presented at the end of March. The Hon. Mr. Baker will read the Financial statement on the 21st March, and the discussion will take place on the 28th.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway, for the week ending 25th November, amounted to Rs. 21,692 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 7,515. Total earnings from 1st July to 25th November were Rs. 2,71,458, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 98,787.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 25th November amounted to Rs. 1,448, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 1,086. Total earnings from 1st July to 25th November were Rs. 31,396, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,465.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 25th November, amounted to Rs. 4,219 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 479. Total earnings from 1st July to 25th November were Rs. 62,229, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 6,530.

THE record of the first voyage of the new Cunarder "Carmania" is surely unique. On both the outward and homeward journeys she experienced fierce gales and heavy seas. Her steadiness is said to have been extraordinary; there was no variation in the attendance at meals; and the doctor's record of sea-sick passengers is marked "Nil"! No wonder there was a full complement of people going out on the "Carmania," when she started on her second voyage to New York.

IT is stated that the Mikado has been asked to be Honorary Colonel of the 1st Lancashire Regiment, and if he complies, King Edward will probably be asked to be Honorary Colonel of the 1st Regiment of Imperial Body Guards in Japan.

A RECORD in the annals of Central African telegraphy has just been made in the sending of a telegram from Glasgow to Blantyre, in British Central Africa—a distance of about 10,000 miles—in one hour and 27 minutes.

WE learn from the "Theosophist" for January, that Colonel Olcott has taken a passage for Europe on the German mail steamer Princess Alice which sails from Colombo on the 25th March. His present plan is to go to England and then, after spending some time there, to cross over to France in time to prepare for the International Congress at Paris at the beginning of June next.

IN the matter of pearling this season, Mergui has been exceptionally fortunate, no fewer than three large pearls of price being found, the average valuation of which among the local pearlers is stated to be Rs. 30,000. The pearler who discovered two of the pearls in one voyage, and who values them at Rs. 30,000, and Rs. 45,000, respectively, means to send them to Bombay for disposal, preferring this to sending them to an agent in Europe.

THE last member of the Australian team of cricketers to get home again was C. McLeod. At the close of the tour he spent several weeks with his relatives in Scotland. When he was leaving London for the North, somebody inquired, "Where are you bound for?" As a joke McLeod whispered in reply, "Going to get married, Heiress. Not a word; don't tell anybody." The joke had entertaining consequences. It was sent out to Australia as an item of serious news, and on reaching Fremantle the first Australian port of call, McLeod was handed a big bundle of letters and telegrams of congratulation.

THE "Spectator," referring to the Curzon-Kitchener incident, says:—We ourselves should like to see Lord Roberts asked to return to India for a year—for no one better than he could calm native and British opinion. . . . In any case, there need be no fear that the resignation of Lord Kitchener, if it does take place, would cause any embarrassment or anxiety to the Government either in India or here. Lord Kitchener is a General who has won, and from many points of view deservedly won, the approval of the public, but he is not in any sense "Phomme necessaire."

ELECTIONEERING IN THE OLDEN TIME.

IN "Old Galway Life": in "Blackwood," one of the Martins says, the most exciting times that were witnessed in Galway the old "Citie of the Tribes" were when an election was in progress. The court-house in Galway was the only polling-place, not only for the borough of Galway but also for the county, and the voters had to be transported thither from the most distant and inaccessible parts of that extensive region. A county election, therefore, commonly lasted six weeks, and during all that time the town was in a turmoil. Skirmishes and encounters took place at every street corner, and troops of dragoons galloped up and down dispersing riotous mobs. Special distinction was won on these occasions by the men of the Claddagh—the quarter of Galway which has been inhabited for centuries by the descendants of the Spanish colonists who settled there in Elizabethan days, when much trade was carried on between Galway and Spain. Though fallen from their old estate of merchant-adventurers to be no more than a race of fishermen, the men of the Claddagh retained no little of Spanish arrogance and pride of bearing, together with their unmistakable Southern mien. They held scornfully aloof from their Irish neighbours, suffering no stranger to dwell within their gates, governed there according to their own customs by a sovereign of their own election, and marrying only with those of their own clan. In the days of which I speak they wore their distinctive dress, too, and turned out in full force on election days, the men wearing coats and waistcoats of bright blue frize, adorned with large white buttons, knee-breeches of the same, tied at the knees with blue ribbons, and stockings of blue worsted. What was of more consequence than their dress, they came out armed with slings, with which they hurled stones with an accuracy of aim that made it perilous for any voter on the side opposed to theirs to venture across the street. Round the court-house itself the wildest scenes took place, one side endeavouring to convoy its supporters inside the building, the other dragging them out again by force,—sticks were whirled, yells and imprecations resounded on all sides, and every now and again a sudden charge of cavalry scattered the combatants like chaff before the wind.

The rival candidates were always two gentlemen of the county belonging to the different camps of Whig and Tory, as those distinctions were then understood, and their friends and neighbours took sides according to their opinions and proclivities. The political opinions of a Galway landlord were of some importance in those days, when he brought all his tenants and retainers with him to the poll to swell the votes on his side. I well remember seeing my grandfather ride forth from our house at the head of the troop of voters eighty strong, mounted on cart-horses, on mares with foals running beside them, and on mountain colts with unkempt manes and fetlocks.

It was said that sometimes when landlords suspected their tenants of not following them with a whole heart they rode at the heels, instead of at the head, of their forces, to flick the steeds of unwilling voters along the road. Such cases were, however, I think of not very frequent occurrence, as in general the tenants made the landlords' cause their own. Whig and Tory were words of unknown import to them; but they flourished their black thorns and broke each other's heads with as much zest and zeal will as if they had been engaged in a faction fight of their own.

In return for the support which the tenants gave their landlords at election times, the latter were expected to stand by them if by ill chance they should find themselves in any trouble which involved a compulsory appearance before the bench of magistrates at petty sessions, or even before judge and jury at the assizes. Of one friend and neighbour of ours it was confidently asserted by his dependants "If a man was on the gallows itself, the masther would get him down."

Our kinsmen the Martins of Ballynahinch, father and son, Whigs both of them, sat for the County Galway for upwards of fifty years, from before the Union till the time of the great famine. Their seat was fiercely assailed at each contest, but they always emerged triumphant from the contest. The elder Martin was that Colonel Richard Martin better known by his sobriquet of "Humanity Dick" of whom many stories are still current in Galway. He was noted for two seemingly irreconcilable qualities, his great goodness of heart—specially displayed in his love for animals—and his readiness to fight duels.

When George IV visited Ireland an election in Galway was pending. The King inquired of "Humanity Dick," who came up to attend his levee, which candidate would probably be returned. With a bow Colonel Martin replied, The survivor, Sir.

At an election before the Union, Dick Martin was opposed by Giles Eyre of Eyrecourt, a territorial magnate and thorough sportsman, renowned alike for his reckless extravagance and dare devil bravery. He was, however, totally illiterate, a circumstance less regarded then than at the present time. The hustings in those days used to be erected in Eyre Square, in Galway, sufficiently close to each other to enable the rival candidates for popular favour to exchange banter and other sallies of wit. Advancing to the front of his booth with a folded paper in his hand, Dick Martin exclaimed—

"I declare solemnly, before all here assembled, that I am willing this moment to retire from this contest and to allow Colonel Eyre to be returned unopposed if he will only sign this declaration which I hold in my hand."

This, however, it was not possible for Giles Eyre to do,—not from any dissent to the views set forth in the document in question, but because, as Dick Martin was well aware, he was totally unable to write his own name.

After the Union Colonel Martin, in spite of much ridicule and opposition even from Canning himself, succeeded in carrying the first Act for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to be found on the Statute Book of Great Britain, an achievement which won him his nickname of "Humanity Dick." He was an ardent advocate of Catholic Emancipation, and an equally keen opponent of capital punishment, especially in cases of forgery, to which it was then applied with merciless rigour. He supported various other ameliorations of the penal code, which since his day have long formed part of the law of the land.

In 1826, when Colonel Richard Martin's son Thomas was returned for the county, my father was High Sheriff, being then just twenty-one, and the youngest sheriff of whom there is record. At this and subsequent elections the candidate opposed to Thomas Martin was generally a member of the Daly family; and as the Daly property was adjacent to the town of Galway, this gave that side a certain advantage, for their partisans mostly came from neighbouring parts of the county, whilst the Martin's voters had to be conveyed from the farthest wilds of Connemara. The Galway mob, too, generally favoured the Dalys. At this election of 1826 Thomas Martin had S. C. No. B 6 brought his tenants in and lodged them in one of the large corn warehouses which in those days lined the wharves of Galway,—now, alas, all fallen to ruin and decay. They were safely locked up, partly to keep them sober, partly to prevent their being tampered with. During the night the warehouse was set on fire by some of the Daly faction, and the poor wretches only escaped with much difficulty and in their shirts. It was said afterwards that some votes were lost: that lives were lost along with them seemed of less consideration.

At this same election Thomas Martin himself was walking in Eyre Square with a dare-devil adherent of his named Tom Lambert, and another friend. They were espied by a riotous Daly mob, which immediately surged down on them in very menacing fashion. Tom Lambert whipped out a pistol and warned the crowd that if they did not keep back he would fire. Awed by this bold front the mob seemed inclined to draw off and leave the gentlemen in peace; but a butcher, Jerry Sullivan by name flourishing his knife aloft, called to them to come on, and led them on to the attack himself, whereupon Tom Lambert shot him dead. The three friends were immediately arrested and lodged in Galway jail to await the assizes.

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THE GENERAL ELECTION.

STEADY LIBERAL GAIN.

Increase of Labour Members.

CONSERVATIVE STRONGHOLDS LOST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 15, 10-45 P. M.

The returns so far are :—

Liberals	55
Labourites	11
Unionists	22
Ministerial Gains	35

The following Liberals have been elected :—
Mr. Crosfield (L) Warrington.
Mr. Bellairs (L) King's Lynn.
Mr. Walters (L) Sheffield. (Brightside.)
Mr. Collins (L) St. Pancras West.
Mr. Dickinson (L) St. Pancras North.
Mr. Greenwood (L) Peterborough.
Mr. Lamb (L) Rochester.
Mr. Walton (L) Leeds South.
Mr. Gladstone (L) Leeds Central.
Mr. Buckmaster (L) Cambridge.
The following Unionists are elected :—
Mr. Harvey (U) Bury St. Edmunds.
Sir H. Vincent (U) Sheffield Central.
Mr. Hay (U) Hoxton.
Mr. Legge (U) St. George's Hanover Square.

LONDON, JAN. 15. 11-10 P. M.

Latest returns to hand give :—

Liberals	65
Labourites	13
Unionists	25
Ministeral Gains	42

The following Liberals have been elected :—
Mr. Barron (L) Leeds (North)
Mr. Cremer (L) Haggerston.
Mr. Pirrie (L) Aberdeen North.
Mr. Langley (L) Sheffield (Attercliffe Division).
Mr. Cox (L) Preston.
Mr. Macpherson (Labour) Preston.
Mr. Roberts (L) Lincoln.
Sir W. D. Pearson (L) Colchester.
Mr. Wilson (L) St. Pancras South.
Mr. Hobhouse (L) Bristol.
Mr. Jenkins (Labour) Chatham.

The following Unionists have been elected :—
Mr. Gibbs (U) Bristol (West).
Mr. Roberts (U) Sheffield (Eccleshall Division).
Mr. Stuart Wortley (U) Sheffield. (Hallam Division.)

LONDON, JANUARY 15 12-55 P. M.

The following have been elected unopposed :—
Mr. Hall (L) Normanton.
Mr. Roberts (L) Denbighshire.
Mr. Healy (N) North Louth.

The following have been elected :—
Mr. Greenwood (L) York.
Mr. Faber (L) York.

The election for West Newington was as follows :—
Captain Norton (L) 4,446.
Mr. Bellilos of Hongkong (U) 2,425 votes.
Mr. Illingworth, (Liberal), has been elected at Shipley unopposed.
This is a Liberal gain.
Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman has been elected for Stirling.

The following have been elected unopposed :—
Mr. Walton (L) Barnsley.
Mr. Lloyd Morgan (L) Carmarthenshire West.
Mr. McVeagh (N) East Donegal.
Sir G. Doughty (U) has been re-elected for Grimsby.

LONDON, JAN. 15, 8 P. M.

The following have been elected unopposed :—
Mr. Devlin (N) Galway.
Sir W. Holland (L) Rotherham.
Mr. Cogan (N) Wicklow East.
Mr. Lonsdale (U) Mid Armagh.
Mr. Heyden (N) Roscommon.
Mr. Flavin (N) Kerry.
Sir F. G. Esmonde (N) Wexford.
Mr. Lunden (N) East Limerick.
Mr. Redmond (N) East Clare.
Mr. Cullinan (N) South Tipperary.

LONDON, January, 15 9-30 P. M.

The following are the totals up to the present :—

Liberals	76
Labourites	13
Unionists	29
The Unionists gained a seat at Hastings.	
Ministerial gains	49

In the election for Marylebone West, Sir S. Scott (U) polled 3,446 and Sir H. Johnston (L) 2,791 votes.

The following Liberals have been elected :—
Mr. Maclean (L) Bath.
Mr. Gooch (L) Bath.
Mr. Shipman (L) Northampton
Mr. Paul (L) Northampton.
Mr. Woodhouse (L) Huddersfield.
Mr. Barker (L) Penryn
Mr. Masterman (L) West Ham North.
Colonel Philips (L) Southampton.
Mr. Ward (L) Southampton.
Mr. Lea (L) St. Pancras East.
Mr. Birrell L) Bristol North.

The following Unionists have been elected :—
Lord Robert Cecil "U" Marylebone East
Mr. Du Cros "U" Hastings.
Mr. S. G. Bowles (Unionist Free Trader) has been elected Norwood.

The result of the North Lambeth Election is as follows :—
Mr. Meyer L) 2,162.
Mr. Major Gastrell (U) 1,904.
r. Dadabhai Naoroji (L) 1,733.

LONDON, JAN. 15, 10-5 P.M.

The results so far are :—

Liberals	46
Labourites	10
Unionists	17
Ministerial gains	27

In the Leeds (Central) election, Mr. Armitage, the Liberal Candidate, polled 4,188, whilst Mr. Gerald Balfour, Unionist, only polled 3,199, votes.
Mr. Barlow (L) has been elected at Bedford.
O'Grady Labourite has been elected for EastLeeds.
Mr. Arkwright (Unionis) has been elected for Hereford City and Mr. Boyle (Unionist) has been elected for Taunton.

LONDON, JAN 16, 5-20 a.m.

The latest election returns give :—

Liberals	93
Labourites	14
Unionists	29

Ministerial gains 50 and Labourites 11.
In the election at South Bristol, Mr. Howell Davies (L) polled 7,964 and Mr. Long (U) 5,272 votes.
The following Liberals have been elected, namely :—
Mr. Jackson (L) Greenwich.
Mr. Radford (L) Islington, East.
Mr. Waterlow (L) Islington, North.
Mr. Wiles (L) Islington, South.
Mr. Lough (L) Islington, West
Mr. Seaverns (L) Bilston
Mr. Collins (L) Kennington
M Hooper (L) Dudley
Mr. Rea (L) Gloucester
Mr. Broadhurst (L) Leicester
Mr. Fillett (L) Norwich
Mr. Emmott (L) Oldham
Mr. Bright (L) Oldham
Mr. Norman (L) Wolverhampton, South
Sir H. Fowler (L) Wolverhampton, East
Mr. Bryce (L) Aberdeen, South
Mr. Macullum (L) Paisley
Mr. Harwood (L) Bolton
The following Labourites members have been elected, namely :—
Mr. Thorne (Labourite) West Ham, South
Mr. Bowerman (Labourite) Deptford
Mr. Macdonald (Labouritr) Leicester
Mr. Roberts (Labourite) Norwich
Mr. Richards (Labourite) Wolverhampton, West
Mr. Arnold Forster (Unionist) been elected for Croydon.

PRESS OPINIONS ON THE ELECTIONS.

LONDON, JAN. 15, 12-55 P. M.

The "Times" and "Standard" consider the Labour. Candidates' success a most significant feature of the elections.
The "Standard" remarking that Liberalism is annihilated and absorbed by labour.
The newspapers do not agree on the apportioning of the Liberal and Labour seats, but the majority give 38 and 9, respectively.

MR. REDMOND AT WATERFORD.

LONDON, JAN 15, 8-15 p. m.

Mr. Redmond, speaking at Waterford to-day, said that he will take care that the new Government's sympathy for Ireland is translated into action.

NEW IRISH ORGANISATION.

The "Times" announces that a new Irish organisation has sprung up in Ireland uncompromisingly opposed to Mr. Redmond's Parliamentary policy. It proclaims a boycott on the imports of British goods, the prohibition of enlistment of Irishmen in the Army and Navy and the discouragement of the English language in Ireland.

NEW LIBERAL ORGAN.

The Liberal "Daily Tribune" has published a self-styled Organ called "Liberalism, Labour and Progress."
In a message from Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman to the publishers he sends his good wishes for the success of the Organ.

THE MORROCCO CONFERENCE.

LONLON, JAN. 16, A. M.

The Morocco Conference opens to-day.
The Press regards the prospects as being optimistic.

FRANCE AND VENEZUELA.

A French Squadron has left Guadeloupe for Venezuela.

THE TASHI LAMA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The "Englishman" suggests that an attempt will now be made to get Tashi Lama proclaimed Delai Lama at Lhassa. China would be opposed to this arrangement, but it would work in well with British intereste.

H. H, THE AGA KHAN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

His Highness the Aga Khan leaves Calcutta for Bombay to-day.

STRANDED MUSICIANS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

A correspondence continues to appear in the Calcutta papers regarding the ladies of the Viennese Orchestra who are still here. The concert given to help them has produced two thousand rupees.

THE HON. MR. HEWETT'S SUCCESSOR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The name of Mr. J. O. Miller is mentioned by the "Englishman" to officiate in March as member of Council for Industry and Commerce when Mr. Hewett goes on leave.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

THE GENERAL ELECTION.

CAMPAIGN IN THE COUNTY.

MR. BALFOUR AND MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

London, Dec. 30.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, speaking at Birmingham last night, cuttingly criticised the Prime Minister's policy-speech and the acts and utterances of other Ministers. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's policy declaration, he declared, was just the old "Newcastle programme" over again, ommitting, however, mention of the necessity of ending the House of Lords. It suggested that the leader of the Nationalis, Mr. John Redmond, had been squared into consenting to putting Home Rule on the shelf if granted a Catholic University for Ireland, and allowed to deal as he pleased with the Loyalist minority in Ireland, and to control the Irish police. It was a political crime to issue hastily and premature y a despatch like that of Lord Elgin's to South Africa respecting Chinese labour importations. The despatch was so loosely and vaguely worded, it was impossible to understand it. But whatever were the merits of the Chinese labour question, it was one which the colonies themselves, not Great Britain, should decide—unless, indeed, the Imperial Government meant to inform a self-governing colony "We will only allow you to decide in accordance with our prejudices and our ideas." This would prove fatal, and involve the loss of South Africa. If the Government meant to leave the colonies to decide the question of Chinese labour, the despatch was a mere electioneering handbill. He greatly feared the fiscal question would be complicated by large number of irrelevant issues at the election. The free importers were the real protectionists, and their design was to protect the foreigner in British markets. "In 1884," proceeded Mr. Chamberlain, our imports from Germany, Holland, and Belgium were 29 1-2 millions, and our exports 31 millions. In 1904 our imports had risen to 52 1-2 millions, while our exports were still 31 millions. That the result of Bismarck's high tariff, excluding British goods, and securing to Germany both the German and the British markets. Mr. Chamberlain added that he desired not protection, but a restoration of equal conditions. British trade with the colonies in the past decade had increased by six millions sterling while foreign exports to the colonies had increased 30 millions. It would be better for Britain to accept the colonial offer of reciprocity than to lose ground in this way.

BANNERMAN FOR FREE TRADE.

NO SEPARATE IRISH PARLIAMENT.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, speaking last night at Dunfermline in Scotland, gave a further exposition of the policy of his Government and reply to Unionist criticism. Referring to the fiscal question he declared that Mr. Balfour's proposed policy of tariff retaliation would involve the taxation of food and raw material. It embodied some of the worst disadvantages of protection and lacked the advantages of a consistent and intelligible policy while it afforded no guarantee against protection. Mr. Chamberlain's policy again offered an Empire based on food taxes, and an industrial system cockered up with tariffs. They should beware of a tie (preferential trade) which might prove burdensome to the motherland, leading her to complain that the colonies are millstones round her neck. In replying to "heckers, Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman stated he did not favour the granting of a separate or independent Parliament to Ireland. Any legislative body for Ireland that he had ever supported was intended to be subordinate to the Imperial Parliament. In reply to a question about female franchise, he said women ought to be allowed to help in the solution of social question. The Prime Minister further announced that he was opposed to the establishment of a Catholic or any sectarian University in Ireland, as at one time proposed by the Balfour Ministry.

BALFOUR ON BANNERMAN

HOME RULE V. FISCAL REFORM.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, the late Prime Minister, last night addressed a great gathering of Unionists in the Queen's-hall, London, in criticism of the speech in which Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman outlined the policy of his Cabinet on the 21st instant. He maintained, notwithstanding disclaimers and explanations of the Liberal press, that the policy to which Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman committed himself in his speech was Home Rule, though it avoided using the phrase itself. To give Irishmen the control of Irish affairs by creating an administration responsible to an Irish elected body, Mr. Balfour declared, must end in seperation or Home Rule. It would cause such an intolerable situation, owing to the constant friction of class interests, and would render the British Parliament so impotent, that even separation would be more tolerable. The country must decide. Would it have Home Rule or would it have fiscal reform? The latter would be the first great question the Unionists would tackle when they returned to power. In regard to the education question. Mr. Balfour emphasised the fact that school children must receive the kind of religious education their parents desire. He was convinced that the London constituencies would remain faithful to the cause of Imperialism.

NO HOME RULE BILL.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, speaking at Belmont yesterday, declared that the Liberals would fight the coming general election on the free trade principle. No Irish Home Rule would be introduced to Parliament without another special mandate having been received from the people.

IRISH LEAGUE'S ATTITUDE.

The executive of the United Irish League in Britain has issued a circular manifesto recommending the Irish voters to do their utmost to secure the discomfiture of the Unionist Party and to support Labour candidates if they are in favour of Home Rule.

TRADES UNION TARIFF REFORMERS.

The trades union branch of the Tariff Reform League, organised by Mr. Chamberlain, has issued an election manifesto to the workers in favour of fiscal reform as the remedy for the unemployed trouble. The chief question which the workers of Britain should consider in the elections, the manifesto declares, is that of the lack of employment. This is affirmed to be largely due to the unrestricted importation of foreign goods crowding British manufacturers out of their legitimate market. The readjustment of the British fiscal scheme is therefore urged in order that the workmen now unemployed may have so far as possible an opportunity of making the goods needed for consumption in Britain.

TRIANGULAR ELECTION CONTESTS.

The announcements of candidates for the coming elections show that in at least 47 constituencies there will be triangular contests, candidates representing three parties standing. In the House of Lords the Unionists have suffered the defection of two peers. Lord Castletown of Upper Ossery, who as Colonel Bernard Fitzpatrick served with his regiment, the Royal Canadians, in the Boer War, and was Unionist M.P. for Portarlington, has joined the Liberal Party. So also Lord Winborne, formerly Sir Ivor Bertie Guest.

A NEW PLAGUE PROPHYLACTIC.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, JAN. 16.

A special cablegram to the Pioneer, dated London, the 15th instant, says :—Dr. Klein claims to have discovered a plague prophylactic. It is a powder and he claims that in this form it is more reliable than Dr. Haffkine's fluid. It is also quickly preparable in large quantities and is free of contamination difficulties.

THE MOTOR TRIALS.

SUCCESSFUL RUN FROM POONA TO MAHABALESHVAR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).
MAHABALESHVAR, JAN. 16.

Not quite so punctually as yesterday perhaps, but still not unduly late, the cars got off one by one this morning from Mr. Jeejeebhoy's Villa at Poona for the second instalment of the motor trials now in progress under the auspices of the Motor Union of Western India. It would, perhaps, be difficult to call to mind any part of the world where the combination of e xcellent motoring roads with grand and diversified scenery is more perfect than on the course chosen for these trials. The automobilist alternately toots his way through arid wastes and verdure-clad plains; soon he lies deep in the valley, anon he seems to scrape the topmost boulders of the world. He never really reaches a height comparable with the peaks of Northern India; yet he skirts the rocks which appear to meet the never ending azure of the sky.

The route from Poona lay firstly through the Cantonment to the Shankar Shet road and on to the Satara Road. After a run of six miles the ascent of the Katraj Ghat begins with the tunnel at the highest point. There was in this tunnel what might with all the ease in the world have been the cause of a fatal accident. A large piece of stone was being piloted through the tunnel and owing to the natural gloom of the tunnnel and still more to the great quantity of dust raised by the cars the obstruction was almost hidden from view. Sheer luck alone accounts for a serious collision being avoided. The whole journey from Poona to Mahabaleshvar is one continual series of sharp angular turns and loops and when the Khandalla Ghat has been negociated there are the long and troublesome Wai and Panchgani. Ghats to be crossed. Difficult as they undoubtedly are even for the best of hill climbing makes, quite a number of cars managed to make non-stop runs. The Panchgani Ghat winds its dizzy course around the hills for over twelve miles, and the cars that can do the journey without a stop are good for nearly any motoring road in the world.

The route to day was nearly seventy-five miles; there was only one intermediate control and, there a grinning native servant charitably demanded one rupee for a sloppy cup of tea. He got four annas, but kept on smiling.

The first car to arrive was Maharajah Tikaris De Dietrich which dashed into the ground of the blue valley hall at Mahableshwar before twelve, followed soon after by Mr. Sorel's De Dietrich and Mr. Lee's Panhard.

Happily there were again no serious accidents and little more than tyre troubles can be recorded. It is wonderful what a lot of fervid argument can be squeezed out of a puncture. Petrol of course is fiery stuff and deserves the attention paid to it in all the lingo of the sport. Nothing is so lacking in conversational fertility as a non-stop run, the successful motorist has nothing to say except to blow his own trumpet or that of his car which nobody wants to hear. But the man with a puncture when he ceases talking it is generally because there is no one left to listen. At 5 o'clock this afternoon Mr. Davar announced that all the cars had made the journey without a mishap, he also gave some special instructions to drivers and observers concerning the negotiation of the Sattara Ghat to-morrow (Wednesday) which, said Mr. Davar, "the Government has described as a death trap to motorists". Also owing to the dangerous condition of the Katraj tunnel referred to above when more than one car is passing through at the same time, it was decided by the Committee that no car should enter the tunnel until the car in front had got out of it.

The following are the results of to-day's run from Poona to Mahableshwar :—

Name of Owner and Car.	Times of Arrival.	Marks.
The Maharaja of Tikari's De Dietrich	11-20 a m	Full marks
Mr Sorel's De Dietrich	11-16	Full marks
Mr Grose's Hotchkiss	11-35	Full marks
Mr Khatau's Fiat	11-26 a m	Full marks
Mr Lee's Panhard	11-2	Full marks
Mr Dorab Argyll	12-46 p m	Full marks
Mr Stewart's Argyll	12-13 p m	Full marks
Mr Curmichoy's Orleans	12-12 1-2	Full marks
Mr M Lalbhai's Chenard Walcker	12-13 p m	Full marks
Maharajah of Rajpipla's Clement-Bayard	12 18	Full marks
K and Cycle Co's Wolseley	12 21 p m	Full marks
Mr Lukaka's Wolseley	12 35 p m	Full marks
Paris India's Richard Brazier	12-46	Full marks
Mr Meyer's Clement Bayard	12-53	Full marks
Mr E J Lee's Clement	12-55	Lost six marks for carburettor adjustment
Mr Bajaji's Wolseley	12-55	Full marks
Mr Marshall's Orleans	1-20 p m	Lost 65 marks for mechanical defects
Mr R D Tata's Clement Bayard	1 35 p m	Lost 57 marks for petrol trouble and heated engine
Mr Sawyer's Darracq	1 40 p m	Lost one mark for missed gear
Mr Stewart's Richard Brazier,	1-10 p m	Full marks
Mr Curmichoy's Bayard	1-11 p m	Full marks
Mr Kerrawalla's Wolseley	1-37 p m	Full marks
Mr Hate's Wolseley	2 p m	Full marks
Mr R D Wadia's Humber	2-4 p m	Lost 11 marks for missing gear
Western India Motor Co's Thornycroft	2-12 p m	Full marks
Paris-India's Richard-Brazier	2-18 p m	Lost 15 marks for short circuit
Globe Electric Co's Decourville.	2-10 p m	Lost five marks for mechanical defects
Vauxhall car	2-33 p m	Full marks
Mr Gardener's Serpolet	3-15 p m	Lost 36 marks for sparking plug
Mr Dwarkadas Reylante	3-25 p m	Lost 13 mark or spring broken
Mr Wadia's Beeston Humber	3-33 p m	Lost 13 marks for washer and water pump

R. F. A. POINT-TO-POINT RACES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
POONA, JAN. 16.

The point-to-point races were held yesterday in the Artillery practice Camp at Aundh. Two events were competed for, namely the Aundh Cup for horses ridden during present camp which never won a race of the value of Rs. 100 since March 1902. The distance was about 2 1/2 miles. Fifteen started and the going was very dusty till the first nullah which was rather risky and only negotiable in one or two places. However no one fell. Captain Chambro's "Enfilade" and Mr. Cooper's Waterdon, owners up were leading most of journey, but Mr. Hale's "Stick" soon overhauled and led the rest of the way winning easily from the former two by four lengths. Major Olivier's "Laura" was fourth.

The second event was the Bandra cup for ponies 14-2 and under ridden during the present camp. The distance was about 2 1/2 miles and five entered. All got away with a good start Spencer making the running closely attended by "Grey Goose" and "Timothy Petit Bleu" fell at the first nullah, but was soon up and running very hard. Major Butler's "Grey Goose," ridden by Mr. Cooper, won by three lengths, Mr. Edgar's Timothy (ridden by Mr. Vans Gwynne) being second and Mr. Osborne's "Petit Bleu" Mr. Gell up, third.

After the last race an exhibition of camel riding was given and was much admired. Colonel Carter and the Officers R. F. A. were "At Home" and a good number of ladies from Poona went there to witness the races.

ROUND-THE-WORLD MOTORISTS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Mr. and Mrs. Glidden now reached Gaya, where the roads begin to be somewhat bad, as compared with the splendid Kunkur Roads of the Punjab. The Motorists have now covered 14,084 miles in India alone, and 29,184 round the World. They expect to reach Calcutta in another week.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

ARRIVAL AT MANDALAY.

PROGRESS THROUGH A LONG ILLUMINATED ROUTE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)
MANDALAY, JAN. 16.

Their Royal Highnesses ten Prince and Princess of Wales arrived at Mandalay at 4-30 this evening. All the stations on the route of three hundred and eighty miles were decorated, elaborate pandals being erected at the halting places for breakfast and lunch. During the night the track was illuminated by decorated flambeaux for nearly two hundred miles. The Municipal address was presented in the pandal crowded with the Burmese at Mandalay station.

His Royal Highness in reply said :—

"Gentlemen. It is a great pleasure to the Princess of Wales and myself to visit Mandalay and to see the picturesque and interesting head-quarters of Upper Burma. I thank you heartily for the cordial welcome which you have given to us and I am confident that your kind efforts to make our stay in Mandalay agreeable will be crowned with success. I wish that we could have stayed longer with you, for in some ways Upper Burma possesses a peculiar interest in that it is the latest addition to the British Empire. If I may judge from what I have heard and from what I now see, Upper Burma has very rapidly advanced to the level and standard of British India and I can certainly detect no signs of backwardness or stagnation. I will with pleasure convey your loyal assurances to the King-Emperor. He will be especially interested to hear of your welfare and will be touched when I tell him of the devotion to his person which is manifested in the enthusiastic reception which you have given to the Princes and myself."

After a visit to Arakan pageda and palace tomorrow, the chief features of Mandalay programme are Burmese boat races and a drama.

Their Royal Highnesses leave to-morrow night on a trip down the Irawaddy.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The Earl and Countess of Shaftesbury, Lord Crichton, the Hon. Derek Keppel, Capt. the Hon. W. Cadogan, Capt. Makins Hill, Capt. Ashburner and the Maharajah Sir Pertab Singh proceed to Madras by special train, leaving next Saturday.

Lord Kitchener, with Colonel Birdwood and an Aide-de-Camp, goes to Secundersabad for the Prince's visit there.

THE RAILWAY CONFERENCE.

CHOSING A SECRETARY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The Railway Conference proceed to vote on the election of a secretary to-day. Mr. A. Rose Jhonson is stated to be now practically certain to be chosen. The only other candidate of any importance is Mr. Lightfoot of the North-Western Railway.

CALCUTTA PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JAN. 16.

The annual Photographic Society's exhibition is now open here and is well up to the average in merit. The gold medal for the best photograph is taken by Mr. Gasgoigne Lynds and the silver medals for portraits by Dr. Pearse, for pictures by Mr. T. R. Pratt and for instantaneous work by Mr. H. M. Brettson.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY AT BUTCHER ISLAND.

A SHOCKING tragedy occurred at the Butcher Island in the Bombay Harbour, on Monday afternoon, the victim being Lieutenant C. L. John, R. E., of the 2nd Company of the Indian Submarine Corps, stationed in the island who shot himself with a revolver at his bungalow "The Tower" at Butcher Island. From enquiries it appears that at 3-55 p.m., on Monday, a report was heard to come from the bungalow of the deceased when Captain Gillespie went up and found Lieutenant John lying in his bed in the verandah shot through the head. A six chamber revolver was found in his left hand and the top of his head was blown off. Particles of the unfortunate officer's brains were scattered about the floor. The Assistant Surgeon on duty at the time, was sent for when he declared the officer to be dead. A subsequent search was made and the bullet was found embedded in the pillar of the Verandah. A report of the matter was immediately made and Inspector Walker and Sub-Inspector Valentine of the Harbour Police repaired to the scene and took over charge of the body of the officer. The body was brought to Bombay late last night and taken to the mortuary of the St. George's Hospital where it was kept for the night.

The unfortunate officer was only 24 years of age and joined the Service about six years ago. He was very popular and a promising young officer.

THE INQUEST.

Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquest yesterday morning at the mortuary of St. George's Hospital, when the following evidence was recorded :—

Captain R. St. John Gillespie, Commanding the Indian Sub-marine Corps at the Butcher Island, stated that the deceased belonged to the Company under his command. Deceased spent the working days of the week at the Butcher Island and the week ends at Bombay. Captain Gillespie last saw deceased alive on Friday afternoon when he left Butcher Island for Bombay having obtained leave from witness to stay in Bombay on Saturday and Sunday. Deceased was expected back to Butcher Island on Sunday night. He kept a room at the Yacht Club Chambers. Witness had arranged with deceased on Friday last to take the mine field party out to the mine field at 7 o'clock on Monday morning. Captain Gillespie joined the party according to arrangements on Monday morning but found that deceased was absent. Witness returned to the Butcher Island and landed there about 1-30 p. m. and went to the office. He asked for deceased and was told that he was at his bungalow "The Tower" Witness sent a special note to deceased about 2 p. m. asking him to call to the office. Witness was later on told that the bugler had delivered the note and had got a verbal answer that Mr. John was coming. At about 3-30 p. m., witness went to deceased's bungalow to see if he was ill. On approaching the bungalow he saw deceased's servant waiting near the ladder and heard a shot fired above him in the bungalow. He ran up the ladder and saw deceased lying on his cot on his back with his head to the left and fresh blood on his chin. Deceased had a revolver in his left hand. He was dead. He was wearing only a shirt and trouser at the time. Nobody else was in the bungalow at the time. Witness shouted to deceased's servant to run for the doctor Witness ran to the office and returned as quickly as possible to the bungalow when he saw the doctor, Mr. Chitts coming. Witness noticed that the whole of the top of deceased's head was in pieces and some of his brains were scattered on the floor. The bullet was found embedded in the pillar of the verandah about five feet six inches from the floor. Mr. Chitts saw the deceased and declared him to be dead. Witness gave information at once. Deceased had always been in good spirits and cheerful, but occasionally curiously forgetful and absent-minded. Deceased had received some injuries to his head a month back while out swimming. Witness identified the revolver produced as being the one which was in deceased's left hand. Witness took the revolver out of deceased's hand and gave it over to Inspector Walker. Witness knew of no motive for suicide except the injury which deceased had sustained and his condition of mind. Deceased had been a little erratic and eccentric. Witness had no reason to believe that he was anything but well-to-do. It was about 2-55 p. m. when he heard the shot.

Mr. R. W. Chitts, Assistant Surgeon on duty at the Butcher Island, gave medical evidence on the nature of the wounds. He said that the top of deceased's head was shot away and the mouth discoloured black Witness looked inside the mouth and found a wound in the roof of the mouth and the mouth bleeding. He was of opinion that death was caused oby hemorrhage from a revolver shot which could have been self-inflicted.

After recording the evidence of two native servants, the jury brought in a verdict that the death of the deceased was caused by hemorrhage following a reolver shot inflicted on him by himself, and that he had committed suicide while of unsound mind.

THE GENERAL ELECTION.

RETURNS TO DATE.

UNIONISTS.

Armagh (Mid)	Mr. Lonsdale.
Belfast (East)	Mr. G. W. Wolff.
Bristol (West)	Mr. Gibbs.
Bury St. Edmonds	Mr. Harvey.
Croyden	Mr. Arnold Forster.
Darlington	Mr. H. P. Pease.
Dover	Rt. Hon. G. Wyndham.
Dublin University	Sir E. Carson.
Dublin University	Mr. J. Campbell.
Durham	Mr. Lambton.
Gravesend	Sir J. Parker.
Grimsby	Sir G. Doughty.
Hastings	Mr. du Cros.
Heresord (city)	Mr. Arkwright.
Hoxton	Mr. Hay.
Leeds (North)	Mr. Barron.
Liverpool (Toxteth East)	Mr. A. Taylor.
Londonderry (city)	Marquis of Hamilton.
Marylebone (East)	Lord Robert Cecil.
Norwood	Mr. S. G. Bowles (U.F.T.)
Oxford University	Rt. Hon. J. G. Talbot.
Oxford University	Sir W. Anson.
Penrith	Rt. Hon. J. W. Lowther.
St George's Hanover Sq.	Col. Hon. E. H. Legge.
Sheffield (Central)	Sir H. Vincent.
Sheffield (Eccleshall)	Mr. Robert.
Sheffield (Hallam)	Mr. Stuart Wortley.
Taunton	Mr. Boyle.
Winchester	H. G. Bonaring.
York City	Mr. G. D. Faber.

LIBERALS.

Aberdeen (North)	Mr. Pirrie.
Aberdeen (South)	Mr. Bryce.
Ashton-under-Lyne	Mr. Scott.
Attercliffe (Sheffield)	Mr. Langley.
Barnsley	Mr. Walton.
Bath	Mr. Maclean.
Bath	Mr. Gooch,
Bedford	Mr. Barlow.
Belton	Mr. Harwood.
Boston	Mr. Faber.
Bradford (Central.)	Sir G. Robertson.
Bradford (East)	Mr. Priestley.
Brightside (Sheffield)	Mr. Walters.
Bristol (N)	Mr. Hobhouse.
Bristol (North)	Mr. Birrell.
Bristol (South)	Mr. Howell Davies.
Brixton	Mr. Seaverns.
Burnley	Mr. Maddison.
Bury	Mr. G. Toulmin.
Cambridge	Mr. Buckmaster.
Carlisle	Mr. F. W. Chance.
Carmarthenshire (West)	Mr. Lloyd Morgan.
Colchester	Sir W. D. Pearson.
Derby	Sir T. Roe.
Derby	Mr. Bell.
Devonport	Mr. Benn.
Devonshire (S. Molton)	Mr. G. Lambert.
Denbighshire (West)	Mr. Roberts.
Dudley	Mr. Hooper.
Durham (Mid)	Mr. J. Wilson.
Glamorganshire (Mid)	Mr. S. T. Evans.
Gloucester	Kr. Rea.
Greenwich	Mr. Jackson.
Halifax	Mr. Whiteley.
Hartlepools (The)	Sir C. Furness.
Huddersfield	Mr. Woodhouse.
Ipswich	Mr. F. Goddard.
Ipswich	Mr. F. T. Cobbold.
Islington (East)	Mr. Radford.
Islington (North)	Mr. Waterlow.
Islington (South)	Mr. Wiles.
Islington (West)	Mr Lough.
Kidderminster	Mr. Barnard.
Kings Lynn	Mr. Bellairs.
Kennington	Mr. Collins.
Lambeth (North)	Mr Meyer.
Leeds (South)	Mr. Walton.
Leeds (Central)	Mr. Gladstone.
Leicester	Mr Broadhurst.
Lincoln	Mr. Roberts.
Manchester (South)	Mr. Haworth.
Manchester (N.W.)	Mr. Winston Churchill.
Manchester (North)	Mr. C. E. Schwann.
Manchester (East)	Mr. Horridge.
Morpeth	Mr. Burt.
Newington (West)	Capt. Norton.
Northampton	Mr, Shipman.
Northampton	Mr. Paul
Norwich	Mr. Filett.
Oldham	Mr. Emmott.
Oldham	Mr. Bright.
Paisley	Mr. Macullam.
Perth	Mr. Wallace.
Peterborough	Mr. Greenwood.
Penryn	Mr. Barker
Plymouth	Mr. Dobson.
Plymouth	Mr. Mallett.
Reading	Mr. Rufus Isaacs, K.C.
Rochester	Mr. Lamb.
Rochdale	Mr. Harvey.
Rotherham	Sir W. Holland
St Pancras (North)	Mr. Dickinson.
St Pancras (South)	Mr. Wilson.
St. Pancras (East)	Mr. Lea.
St Pancras (West)	Mr. Collins.
Salford (West)	Mr. Agnew.
Salford (South)	Mr. Belloc.
Scarborough	Mr. Rea.
Southampton	Colonel Phillips
Southampton	Mr. Ward.
Staleybridge	Mr. Cheetham.
Stafford	Mr. T. Shaw.
Stirling Burghs	Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman.
Swansea (District)	Mr. B. Jones.
Wolworth	Mr. O'Donnell.
Warrington	Mr. A. H. Crosfield.
West Ham North	Mr. Masterman.
Wolverhampton (South)	Mr. Norman.
Wolserhampton (East)	Mr. H. Fowler.
Yorkshire (Colne)	Sir J. Kitson.
Yorkshire (Shipley)	Mr. Illingworth.
Yorkshire (Normanton).	Mr. Hall.
York	Mr. Greenwood.

NATIONALISTS.

Clare (East)	Mr. Redmond
Cork	Mr. O'Brien.
Cork	Mr. Roche.
Donegal (East)	Mr. McVeagh.
Dublin	Mr. Field.
Dublin	Mr. Nanetti.
Galway	Mr. Flavin
Kerry	Mr. Devlin
Kilkenny City	Mr. P. O'Brien.
Limerick City	Mr. M Joyce.
Limerick (East)	Mr. Linden
Louth (North)	Mr. Healy.
Roscommon	Mr. Heyden.
Tipperary (South)	Mr. Cullivan
Waterford	Mr. J. Redmond.
Wexford	Mr Cogan
Wicklow (East)	Sir F. G. Esmonde

LABOUR.

Bradford (West)	Mr. Jowett.
Chatham	Mr. Jenkins.
Deptford	Mr. Bowerman.
Derby	Mr. Bell.
Haggerston	Mr. Cremer.
Halifax	Mr. Parker.
Leeds (East)	Mr. O'Grady.
Leicester	Mr. Macdonald.
Manchester (S.W.)	Mr. Kelly.
Manchester (N.E.)	Mr. Clynes.
Monmouth (West)	Mr. T. Richards.
Norwich	Mr. Roberts.
Preston	Mr. Macpherson.
West Ham (South)	Mr. Thorne.
Wolverhampton (West)	Mr. Richards.

TOTALS.

Liberals	99
Unionists	29
Labour	14
Nationalists	9

GAINS.

Liberals	80
Unionists	1
Labour	11

According to the results telegraphed there have been Liberal gains in the following constituencies,

Ashton-under-Lyne, Bradford Central, Bradford East, Barnley, Ipswich, Kidderminster, Manchester E., N.E., N.W., S., S.W., Plymouth, Rochdale, Salford West and Walworth. On Monday there were Liberal gains in Brightside, Cambridge, Chatham, King's Lynn, Leeds Central, Lincoln, Peterborough, Preston, Rochester, St. Pancras W., N. S Shipley and Warrington.

MEMS ABOUT MEMBERS.

Mr. Percy Illingworth, who has been returned unopposed for the Shipley Division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, was defeated at the General Election of 1900, by Sir Fortescue Flannery (C) The seat has, therefore, been a free gift to the Liberal party.

Mr. Joseph Walton, Barnsley Division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, goes back for the third time. He succeeded Earl Compton in the constituency in 1897, having two years previously unsuccessfuly contested the Doncaster Division. He is a coal-owner, an Imperialist and has written on Chinese affairs, an instructive though scrappy book we reviewed some time ago.

Captain Cecil Norton returns to Parliament as the representative of Newington West for the third time. He is an Irishman and was formerly Brigade-Major of Cavalry at Aldershot. He retired from the Army in 1892, and took to politics. After unsuccessfully contesting Portsmouth, he defeated Mr. G. W. Tallents in Newington by 450, in 1895, afterwards increasing his majority to 1156.

Mr. Loyd Morgan, who has been returned for West Carmarthenshire, has represented that constituency since 1892. He is a barrister and an effective platform speaker.

Mr. Hall in the Normanton Division, goes back to the constituency, having succeeded Mr. Pickard last year. Normanton has always been a Liberal stronghold.

Mr. J. H. Roberts, (Denbighshire West, Vale of Clwyd), has gone back unopposed twice in succession after, in 1892, defeating his opponent by a heavier majority than his opponents' aggregate poll. He is wealthy, much-travelled and "a characteristic specimen of Young Wales, with more to learn than it thinks."

Mr. G. D. Faber, (York City), goes back for the third time. He is a member of a well-known Yorkshire family, a barrister, who was Registrar to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council from 1887 to 1896.

Sir George Doughty has represented Great Grimsby since 1896. He is a merchant and shipowner and though now a Unionist once stood as a declared Radical. When he formed his views on Home Rule he resigned and appealed to the electors with the result that he was re-elected by a larger majority than he gained two years earlier.

Mr. McVeagh, in Donegal East, takes the place of Mr. E. McFadden, a nominee of the United Irish League. He is a new aspirant for Parliamentry honours.

Mr. T. M. Healy, commonly known as Tim, has represented North Louth since 1892, and is known as the cleverest man among the patriots and the best hated man in Ireland.

Mr. Richard Bell who is returned for Derby is known as one of the most verulent of Trades Unionists. Practically no strike has taken place in the last thirty years in which he has not figured. He is General Secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway servants to which post he was elected in 1897. He is a Member of the London Conciliation Board, but only entered Parliament in 1900. Like many of his brethern he is fond of a little bombast and this, no doubt, accounts for his telegraphic address "Beware."

Mr. Thomas Greenwood who has been returned for York is the well known advocate of Free libraries. He is another to the roll of literary members and combines publishing with writing, as a members of Messrs Scott, Greenwood and Co. He has travelled widely and is an ardent political pamphleteer.

LECTURE AT NAVSARI.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NAVSARI, JAN. 1.

Mr. Dinshaw D. Moolan, Government Pleader, delivered a lecture on the age of Shankracharia, contending that he flourished some centuries before the time that the Western Scholars put him in. The lecturer gave a brief but very interesting account of the ancient ages of India. The President Mr. Khasirao, the Suba, who took trouble to come down from the districts to oblige the Duyan Prasarak Mandil under whose auspices the lecture was held told the audience that the Navsari people know well Mr. Moolan for his abilities in law, but that they should know that he is a scholar of History who every now and then gives us instructive lectures in ancient History. The President in analysing the lecture said some instructive and encouraging words and pressed the audience that every one of them should try to do something for his very ancient country to accomplish the Science and Art, their old ancestors cultivated in former times. He was pleased to be a member of the Mandil which is trying to spread knowledge in this little town and he will be always ready to be present for such lectures. Mr. Kanga having thanked the Chairman for his able conduct in the chair and Mr. Byramji Dordi, an aged member of the Mandli for his enrolment on the Mandli, the Meeting closed.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, January 17.

52 Detail—To-day Wednesday the 17th Inst. "D" Coy will parade at the back of the Telegraph Quarters, at 5 30 p m.

Dress—Drill Order, plain clothes. Subject—Rifle Exercises and Signals.

If—"A", "C" and "E" Coys will parade at Sir Richard Temple's Statue, at 5-45 p m.

Dress—Drill Order, plain clothes. Subject—Rifle Exercises and Signals.

53 Team Matches—The Conditions for the Rivett Carnac Trophy and Hill Memorial Challenge Cup can be seen at Head-Quarters.

Match for the Rivett Carnac Trophy will be fired on any day from the 19th to the 22nd January and for the Hill Memorial Challenge Cup on any day from the 19th to the 24th February.

54 Enrolment—The undernamed having been enrolled are taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to "F" Coy :—

No 5783 Vol L J Hardaker.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, January 17.

DRILLS.

No 1 Coy—10" R M L gun drill to-morrow Thursday the 18th inst at 8-45 p m in the Town Hall Compound.

No 2 Coy—10" R M L gun drill to morrow Thursday the 18th inst at 9-15 p m at Nesbit Road Head-Quarters,

PRACTICE.

The Corps will parade on Saturday the 20th inst at the B V A Club Apollo Bunder at 4.30 p m (4 T) and proceed to Colaba North Fort to carry out practice with the 10" R M L

DRESS.

Officers—Khaki and Caps.

N-C Officers and men—Khaki F S Caps, Putties and belts not to be worn.

E E COY.

The E E Coy will parade at 6-30 p m on Saturday the 20th instant and proceed to Middle Ground for the annual technical inspection of the Inspector of Submarine Defences in India All members must and turn out.

ARMS.

All Carbines are to be returned to Head Quarters at once

(3d) A Stiffe, Capt R A,
Adjut B V A

ITALIAN Emigration for the first six months of 1905, reached the alarming total of 436,000 persons. It is not rare to find whole villages emigrate "en masse", headed by the cure and the mayor. This movement is attaining such proportions that it is disturbing to the Italian Government.

ELECTIONEERING IN THE OLDEN TIME.

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They had a most jovial time during their incaceration being visited daily by crowds of their friends whom they entertained at dinner and supper, so that for the time being the jail became quite the centre of socil life in Galway. Tom Lambert was tried for his life, but was acquitted on the score of not having been the original assailant and having only acted in self-defence. So well had Thomas Martin's friends worked for him during his enforced seclusion that he was returned at the head of the poll, and on regaining his freedom found himself member for the county.

Our political proclivities were not the same as those of our Connemara kinsfolk. They were Whigs, while our branch of the family had always been consistently Tory, and held the claims of party as stronger than those of kindred. Such ardent politicians indeed were we all that I can recall the entire family, grown-up well as children standing in a row on our hall-door steps, vehemently shaking our fits in the direction in which we imagined London to lie, as a defiance to Lord Melbourne and his Whig government. Except, however, in the very heat and stress of election time these differences of opinion had no effect on our friendly footing with our relatives; and indeed when once an election was over, it was wonderful how quickly all the animosities it had aroused were forgotten, and good fellowship once more reigned throughout the county.

It must have been at the last election which Thomas Martin contested before his death in 1847, that very confident hopes were entertained by the Tories of unseating him and his Whig colleague, and of returning two Tories in their places. A relative of ours, who had a house in the town, and whose views were the same as our own, threw herself heart and soul into the fray. Her house was decked from top to bottom with true blue Tory streamers. Regardless of mobs and riots, she drove herself every day about the streets in her pony carriage, her ponies' heads and her own bonnet decked with Tory favours—and ladies' bonnets in those days afforded ample space for the display of party colours. Moreover, she prepared a sumptuous repast, and somewhat rashly proclaimed that she would therewith regale "the sitting members for Galway" after their victory. The last day of the poll came; but, alas! when the count-up was complete, the Whigs were found to be once more in the ascendant. A very dispirited and dejected knot of county politicians had gathered in our relative's house that night, when there was a resounding knock at the door, and Thomas Martin and his brother Whig member walked in.

We're the sitting members for Galway, they said, and we've come to eat your dinnner.

And so they did, and a right merry party they were, though the rest of the company consisted of those who had done their utmost to prevent the return of those particular sitting members.

The elections for the borough of Galway, though they did not last as long as those for the country were not less hotly contested. At one of the earliest which I can recall, the rival candidates were a young Mr. Monaghan, a Dublin barrister—or counsellor, as they were more commonly styled in those days,—who subsequently rose to be Chief Justice on the Irish Bench. His opponent was Sir Valentine Blake of Menlo Castle. Sir Valentine was at that time in a predicament not altogether unknown to other Irish gentlemen of large landed estate. He was what was known as a "Sunday boy": in other words, owing to financial embarrassments he was unable to appear abroad except upon the Sabbath, and had to spend the other, six days of the week straitly shut up within the walls of his dwelling. A Member of Parliament, however, could not be arrested for debt, which, amongst other reasons, made it exceedingly desirable that Sir Valentine should become member for Galway town, as he would thereby be delivered from his present thraldom. The contest was a very close one, and was fought as elections were fought in those days. The body of the court house, where on ordinary occasions judges, juries, and lawyers carried on their functions, was packed throughout the day with a wildly excited crowd of men, half-naked, wholly drunk, and fighting ferociously for not one of them could have told what. Amidst this indescribable din a local orator, one Mark Lynch, stood up to make an impassioned appeal on Sir Valentine's behalf.

Citizens of Galway," he shouted, "will you suffer yourselves to be represented by this counsellor from Dublin—a stranger brought here by his birelings? Will you leave Sir Valentine to pine in his seclusion at Menlo? Or Will you ibid the counsellor begone whence he came and make Sir Valentine by your votes a free man this day?

Mark Lynch's elcquence prevailled and Sir Valentine was returned at the head of the poll. Sir Valentine himself, whilst the election was proceeding, was out upon Lough Corrib in a boat, where he was safe from arrest, as a writ could only be executed on terra firma. His victory was made known to him by the frantic crowds rushing to the waterside to hail the newly elected member, whereupon the boat was speedily pulled ashore, and Sir Valentine was chaired and carried in triumph through the streets of Galway on the shoulders of his supporters.

MURDER OF A HUSBAND.

A WOMAN OF MANY INTRIGUES.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, presiding at the Appellate Side of the High Court, have disposed of an appeal in a case against a woman named Laxmi Kom Narayen accused Nos 1, who was convicted by Mr. C. Fawcett, Sessions Judge of Ahamednagar, in December, last, of murder and was sentenced to death. Mr. L. A. Shah appeared for the accused, and Rao Bahadur V. J. Kirtikar, Government Pleader, for the Crown.

The appellant, accused No 1, about 22 years old, was the wife by Mahotar marriage of one Narayen, a malli, who worked as a day labourer at Nazar and was charged with having murdered him by poisoning him with arsenic on the 15th September last; and the second accused, Jamal walad Sajat, who was a Mussalman aged about 30 was charged with having abetted the murder by instigating and aiding the crime. The deceased who was about 30 a strong-built man, was in good health up to Tuesday, the 14th September when he went as usual to his work. About noon the deceased Narayen ate a piece of jowari bread and some chutney which he had brought with him when he came to work in the morning. After finishing it, he drank some water and then went a short distance off to the edge of a wall where he vomited several times. He was put in a cart and taken home. It was proved that he remained ill with repeated attacks of vomiting until his death the next afternoon. He complained of a burning sensation in his stomach. A report was made to the police; a panchnamah was prepared, and on Laxmi's statements as to the vomitings, etc., and the fact that the nails of deceased's hands and feets had not turned black, the panch recorded the opinion that the deceased had died a natural death, and that there was no suspicion of his having been poisoned. Dagadu Patel, who was one of the panch, insisted that the circumstances were suspicious and that the corpse should be sent to the Civil Hospital. The medical examination showed that there were strong symptoms of the deceased having taken some irritant poison. The Chemical Analyser to Government found arsenic in the deceased's viscera as well as in the vomited matter. There was a strong presumption that the bread which the deceased ate was made by Laxmi, accused No. 1, and given by her to the deceased. A neighbour stated that he actually saw the accused give the bread to the deceased before he left for work. To the mind of the Sessions Judge the evidence left no room for doubt on this point. The prosecution also relied on the evidence of motive against her, namely that she was a woman of loose morals, engaged in an amorous intrigue with accused No. 2 after others of a similar kind, and that she wished to get rid of her husband in order to carry it on without interference. Laxmi had also made a confession before a first class Magistrate, in which she detailed all the circumstances of her alleged connection with accused No. 2, and said that he gave her a powder to kill her husband, which she mixed with the bread that she gave him for his afternoon meal. The Sessions Judge convicted accused No. 1 of murder and sentenced her to death. Accused No. 2 was acquitted.

Their Lordships, for reasons given in a lengthy judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Russell, confirmed the conviction of accused No. 1, but commuted the sentence of death to one of transportation for life

THE BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

ANNUAL INSPECTION OF HARBOUR AND LIGHT HOUSES.

THE annual inspection of the Bombay harbour and light houses by the Port Trustees took place at noon yesterday. The guests among whom were H. E. Lord Lamington, Mr. DuBoulay, Private Secretary; Major Yarr, medical officer; Brigadier-General Greenfield, etc., met at the Apollo Bunder, which they left in tenders at 12 noon, Standard time, and proceeded to the Turbine steamer Linga, which had been lent for the excursion by the British India Steam Navigation Company. The sea was calm, and in what may truly be said to be ideal weather, the Linga steamed out with the Trustees and the large number of guests who had accepted their invitations. They first proceeded down the harbour past the Sunk Rock Light house to Kennery Island. Lunch was provided on board in excellent style by Messrs. W. B. Green and Co. Most of the guests inspected the works at Elephants, where about an hour's stay was made, The religious scruples of the Hindu guests were respected in every way; for the energetic Secretary of the Trust had, with characteristic considerateness, made special arrangements for their convenience and comfort, under the personal superintendence of Mr. Jagmohundas Dwarkadas, Head clerk to the Secretary

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS.

The "Review of Operations" of the Port Trust for the years 1873-1905, which was published at the time of the ceremony of the laying of the foundation stone of the new Docks on the occasion of the visit of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales in November last, gives full particulars of the scheme and operations of the Board, both in the present and past years, and it is only necessary to now briefly allude to the latest details. The total revenue of the Trustees for the nine months ending 31st December, 1905 is Rs. 48,81,000 and is an increase of nearly two lakhs on the income of the corresponding period of the previous year, which resulted in a surplus of Rs. 7,45,583 on the year's working. The principal schemes which are now being carried out by the Board are:—(1) The new Docks. (2) The Port Trust Railway. (3) The proposed reclamation between Mazagon and Sewrie. (4) The new Bulk Oil depot at Sewrie. (1) The new Dock Works are now making appreciable progress, and it is anticipated that one of the enclosing dams will be completed before the next monsoon. The excavation for the trenches of the north walls of the new Dock are now in progress. In connection with the extension of the Ballard Pier concrete blocks for the foundation have for some time past been made and this part of the work is now completed and 220 lin. ft. of the wall have now been completed. (2) The properties for the Railway through Mazagon to the new Docks have now nearly all acquired and work on the line will shortly be begun. (3) Of the two jetties to be provided at Mazagon for the large traffic at Cody Bay displaced by the new Dock works, one has been completed and the other is now nearing completion. These jetties will afford storage space to the extent of 26 acres with an aggregate frontage of 5,800 ft. (4) The estimates amounting to Rs. 22 1/4 lakhs for the acquisition of properties at Sewrie and construction of Bulk Oil Installations thereon has been sanctioned by Government and tenders for the work are now being considered and the properties have been notified for acquisition.

GUESTS.

Among the gentlemen who had accepted invitations were:—

His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Lamington, G. C. M. G., G. C. I. E., Governor of Bombay; Mr. J. H. Du Boulay, Private Secretary; Major M. T. Yarr, R. A. M. C. Medical Officer; The Aide de Camp in waiting:—Brigadier General R. M. Greenfield, D. S. O. General Officer, Commanding Bombay District; Lieut Col. A. H. P. Turner, Officer Commanding Royal Artillery; Major C. G. Oldfield R. A. Ordnance Officer.

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LADIES' SOCIAL GATHERING.

THE annual gathering of the Hindu Ladies' Social Club was held yesterday afternoon at the house of Mr. H. P. Pitale at the Cowasji Patel Tank Road. Shrimant Luxmibai Saheb Gaikwar presiding The function was largely attended by European, Hindu, Parsee and Mahomedan ladies.

The Misses Sumati and Manakbai Kothare opened the proceedings by singing a Marathi song of welcome.

Mrs. Bablibai Pitale next read the executive committee's report of the club for the past year in Marathi and Miss Shirin Maneckji Curseiji in English. It stated, Weekly meetings of the club took place during year with admirable regularity and the attendance there number between 20 to 25 members, who listened to, and discussed the essays composed by some of the members,. The interest in the meetings was varied by readings of instructive Marathi and Gujarathi books; and doing fancy and other needle works; for the latter of which as had formally been ruled, material had been supplied from the funds of the club, and of the articles made therefrom a sale will take place after the work of this annual gathering. The total sum realised from such sales of the last 2 years Rs. 125 plus the total from the collection has the club for the same period Rs. 200 comes to a total Rs. 325 This amount as resolved formally will accumulate for some future work of benevolence. We have the pleasure to acknowledge during the year, the gift of 20 books to our Mahrani Chimnabai Saheb Library, the furtherance of such gifts will still further extend the desire for reading, which has already been created by this Library amongst the members. We have to announce with satisfaction that the members of the executive Committee have kept up their visits to the three Schools of the Students Literary and Scientific Society. The most gratifying event of the year to be recorded is that for the Exhibits of fancy and needle-work articles, forwarded through this Club, the work of some of its members to the Women's Section of the Indian National Congress Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition at Bombay last year, prizes and certificates of merit were awarded to:—1 Mrs. Radhabai Ranade, 2, Mrs Javerbai Luxmidass Bhimji and also for similar exhibits, sent by some of the members of this club to the Needle-work Exhibition held at Poona last year. The women of India Mahadev Govind Ranade prizes for this Club was awarded at the Alexandra Native Girls Institution and the Students Literary and Scientific Society's Schools to their best scholars. It is very agreeable to note that the Women of India's Mahadev Govind Ranade room in connection with the Hindu widows Home at Hingnebudruk, has been built as had been agreed upon. Under the able tuition of Dr. Miss Navabja M. Mehta, examined by Dr. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna Bhatavadekar, it gives us great pleasure to state that certificates for home nursing from the St. John, Ambulance association have been won by the following members our Club:—Mrs. Kanakbai Lalji, Mrs. Sushilabai Jayakar, Mrs. Kashibai Kothare, Mrs. Manibai Chabildas. Miss Manakbai Boabmandkar, and Miss Manakbai Kothare, and will be presented to them by the President at this meeting. The number of members last year was 159. During the year one has resigned, making a total and of the year of 194 The best thanks of this Club are tendered to Bai Babilbai Harlechandra Pitale for the continued use she had allowed of her spacious, beautiful and comfortable Hall during the whole period of twelve years existance of this Club, and still more warmly grateful the members of the Club are to her for her zealously performing the arduous task of Honorary Secretary of this Club. Mrs. Javerbai Laxmidass is cordially thanked for performing the responsible duties of Honorary Treasurer from the commencement of the Club till now."

The report was approved and adopted,

A vote of thanks to the executive committee and he lady Chairman term nated the proceedings.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	3	4	6
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri ...	2	0	16
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada ...	1	3	28
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi ...	1	1	14
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Ferdoo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada ...	1	1	25
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	0	0	9
G Mahim and Worli ...	0	0	6
Water Division ...	0	0	1
North-Resident and Unknown Hospitals ...	0	0	0
Total ...	8	6	112
Total plague deaths to date ...	334,893	227,388	
Same date last year ...	37	28	136

SMALL-POX.

Attack	Death
1	nil

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury Calcutta, 26th Nov 1905.

The weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills:—

1	Amount to be remitted during 1905-06 ...	£16,500,000
2	Remitted from 1st April 1905 to 18th Nov. 1905 by Council Bills ...	£14,987,194
	By Gold ...	Nil
3	Balance to be remitted from 19th Nov. 1905 to 31st March 1906 ...	£ 1,512,806

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WRITERS AND READERS.

There is no denying the advertising value of a little mystery in authorship. At those weary guessing games which Stuccoria played at afternoon teas, Mr. William Sharp would have stood no chance against Miss Fiona Macleod, nor Mr. Laurence Housman against the Englishwoman of the Love-Letters. It used once to be said that, whereas women writers naturally affected the male pseudonym—witness the illustrious line of female Georges—it was significant that male writers did not employ a feminine disguise. Merimee's Clara Garul was no real exception, for that was a practical joke, and Merimee put his big features under a mantilla for a frontispiece. The significance seems now to be the other way. The book—or perhaps one should say the bas bleu—is on the other leg. For Miss Fiona Macleod's editor has explained that Mr. Sharp devised this mark to give the woman in him free play, and justified it by doing better work as the veiled Celtic prophetess than as simple Mr. Sharp.

Fiona Macleod's touching appeal to a coarse journalistic world that she might rest unpestered in her modest maiden Celthood was another modern advance on old-fashioned denials. Undoubtedly the Celtic glamour has given the sad news of Mr. Sharp's very premature death an importance for the newsmongers that it might not otherwise have possessed. It is rather pathetic that the unveiling should come only just too last for the new Who's Who, though it cannot be supposed that this often-guessed secret was really hid from the ingenious editor of that omniscient compilation, Dr. Robertson Nicoll. I observe, is not convinced that Mr. Sharp was Fiona Macleod, or at all events the whole of Fiona Macleod. His reasons for his disbelief are given in the Rambling Remarks of the Man of Kent in the British Weekly.

The literary death list of the year is not made memorable by many world-famous names—Sir Richard Jebb's and George Macdonald's are the most eminent British names, though no doubt Mr. Guy Boothby and General Lew Wallace were more intimately known to a wider circle of readers in the English-speaking world. With Jebb as scholar should be bracketed Dr. Monro of Oriel. Germany has lost the popular creator of the family Buchholz, and the poet and fairy-story teller Baumbach; Spain, her novelist and poet Valera; France that remarkable writer Marcel Schwob, and the famous geographer Elisee Reclus; America, Johan Hay, better known in England probably as diplomatist, in spite of his "Pike County Ballads" while Wales has lost her Archdruid, England and America, moreover, have lost their most renowned actors in Sir Henry Irving and Joseph Jefferson. Sir Wemyss Raid and Mr. L. F. Austin are much missed from the world of journalism.

The country has not been shaken this year by one of those tremendous booms in the domain of fiction which have made the transitory sensations of former years. One piquant event was the emergence of Mr. Swinburne with his early novel (which he too, by the way, issued originally with a feminine pseudonym). Love's Cross Currents was chiefly remarkable for its studies in Meredithian boyhood and its straightforward prose. Another debut in fiction by a poet and man of letters was the Spiritual Adventures of Mr. Arthur Symons. To compare smaller with greater Mr. Symons has passed from his Studies of the Renaissance to his Imaginary Portrait. His essay in fiction is full of promise. The title was a little deceptive, for, thanks to the much-quoted phrase of M. Anatole France, spiritual adventures in Mr. Symons's name decidedly suggested impressionist criticism.

We suppose the most important event in the life of James Anthony Froude was his meeting with Thomas Carlyle. It was from Carlyle that he learned the theory of life which for so many of us vitiates the famous history of the Reformation in England, Carlyle, with all his talk about silence, and the immensities (which he valued for their size, not their quietness), Froude, with all his contempt for oratory, really only believed in things which were clamorously evident. The real objection to his treatment of the Henrician period is not that he tries to show More and Fisher were traitors, but that he fails to see that, after the murder of the great Chancellor on the scaffold the victory remained not with Henry, but with his victim, our quarrel with Froude is not that he misstates facts—this Mr. Paul shows is a baseless slander—but that he could not appreciate the significance of the fact that the last Sovereign to use the title Caput Ecclesiæ was the despised Mary Tudor. Froude does not ignore, but he does not understand, the value of the quiet and the unobserved in history, we feel that had he been on Elijah's mountain he would have left after the earthquake and the fire, convinced of a divine revelation.

It is not such a bad thing that Mr. Paul shares Froude's defects for it enables him to write with a sympathy and charm that makes this the best of his books. It is a pity he made any private excursions into the history of the sixteenth century; he is still sufficiently unacquainted with the period to speak of Bonner as a wretch, ignorant of Dr. Maitland's and Dr. Gairdner's investigation of Foxes libels; he seems to think that the Article, The Bishop of Rome hath no jurisdiction in this realm of England has reference to something else than the Popes temporal claims, ignorant, we suppose of the rigidity of language and of the admissions of Anglican divines; and his ideas about Father Campion need revision in the light of Father Tauntons Jesuits in England. In short, this book suffers, though not so badly as some previous efforts, of Mr. Paul, from his incurable desire of treating subjects to which he is led neither by sympathy nor by knowledge. To come to the pleasanter task of praise, Mr. Paul eminently succeeds in giving a clear idea of Froude. The revolting harshness of his upbringing under his terrible father and fanatical brother, Hurrell, the despondency of his schooldays, the freedom and light of Oxford, are admirably drawn. It is a melancholy picture that results. Froude's temperament was so warped by suffering and ill-treatment that ever afterwards he could minimise the most barbarous and revolting cruelties, and his character was so rubbed of fineness that he found it possible to publish a thinly-veiled account of a love-affair that drove him into despondence at the time. But this callousness also enabled him to stand the crash after the issue of the Nemesis of Faith, and later on, to scorn the unjust attacks on his truthfulness and fidelity. On the controversy between Froude and Freeman we need not enter, suffice to say, never has a great historian cut so poor a figure as Freeman in this conflict. Froudes mistakes were the mistakes of a voluminous and quick reader, not of a deliberate falsifier of history, and he knew perfectly well the difference between veracity and falsehood. Mr. Pauls task is a little more difficult in dealing with Froudes Irish history. When writing about Henry he has nothing but praise for Froude's quaint, material idea that Catholicism is wrong because Spain, Italy, and France did not rise to Imperial power, as did England, but Mr Paul is unwilling that Froude should apply this test to Ireland, in Ireland the enemy is quite other. Why Catholicism should be made responsible for the state of Continental nations and not for that of Ireland Mr. Paul does not explain. On Froude's last great task, the Life of Carlyle, Mr. Paul writes with admirable judgement and restraint; the chapters dealing with it and the Oxford Professorship are the best in the book. We close the biography with a respect for this keen, vivid writer, this passionate and narrow-minded lover of truth, this unwearying investigator of records this charming and accomplished man of letters, but, as he confessed, one with no philosophy of history, nor, we may add, of anything else.

Senility has its penalties and as one grows older one finds less and less time for novels. I confess I cannot cope with the overwhelming crowd of fictionist who help to amuse and fascinate the world to-day. Like the rest of the world, I read and greatly enjoyed The Marriage of William Ashe, which sent me back to my Lady Caroline and my Lord Byron for odious comparisons. I sharpened my wits on The Golden Bowl, and wondered how if Mr James had advanced to a crime passional, I could ever have arrived at a verdict as juryman. I derived as much pleasure as ever from the rural tragedy and comedy of Mr Eden Phillpotts, Mr Orme Agnus and Mrs Frances, the comedy of The Roo being even better than the tragedy of The Secret Woman. I revisited with great goodwill The Shining Ferry of Troy Town. I was glad to get Mr Wells back out of Utopia and the higher Jules-Vernesim into the drapery business, though Kipps, when he grew up, bored me somewhat. Mr Hewlett's mediæval lustihood again intoxicated me. I liked A Servant of the Public better than I fond most of my friends did and I did my duty by the unhumorous earnestness of Mr George Moore. I shirked the resuscitated Ayesha and shrank from Mr Fifichens's Black Spaniel, as I shrink from the polonies of Mr Stephen Celeridge. But I bear a grateful memory of Mr Marriott Watson and the blessed parents of French Nan and of that other happy pair who have redeemed the motor mania of the day by their engaging blend of romance and Rotsehilder, and gave us this year My Friend the Chauffeur.

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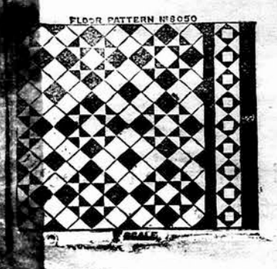

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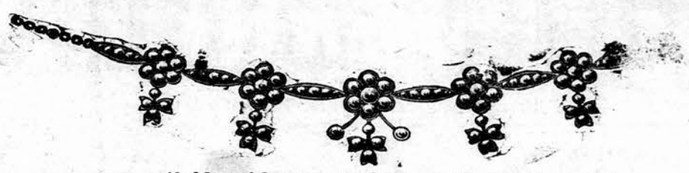

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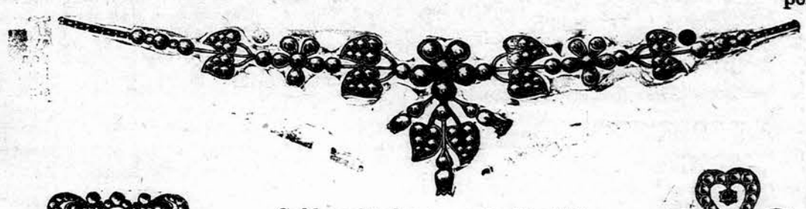

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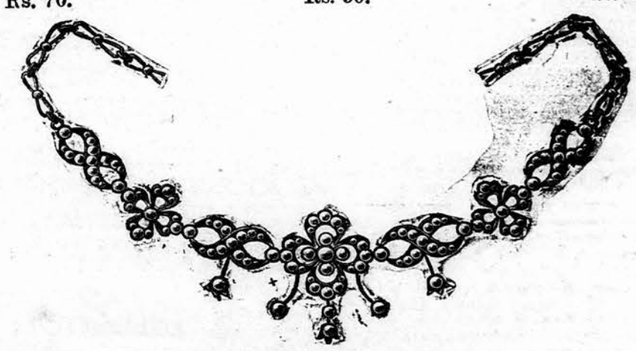

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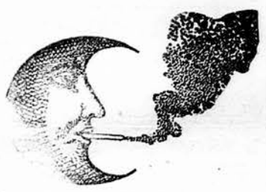

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